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Provincial Legislature

Educational Bill Passes Second Reading on Division—Majority Six.

Leader of Opposition Names an Amendment to Songhees Reserve Bill.

General Business and Other Matters of the Day's Work.

Tuesday, March 7, 1905.

THE House assembled at 2 o'clock, and after prayers by Rev. J. P. Hicks the following was the order of business.

Petitions.

A number of petitions were presented by Mr. Ross, Mr. King, Mr. Wells and Mr. Houston from parties in their districts asking for amendments to the game laws.

The petition from Thos. Hall and others, opposing the private bill to incorporate the Sumas Development Co., was received.

Mr. Brown asked: 1. Did the government receive a request during the summer of 1904 to appoint fence viewers under the Line Fences and Watercourses Act, for any locality in Greenwood riding? 2. Were fence-viewers appointed in pursuance of the said request? 3. If so, who were appointed? 4. If not, why not?

Hon. Mr. Fulton replied: 1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Answered by No. 2. 4. Owing to the application having been temporarily lost sight of, the appointments have not yet been made. The matter is now receiving attention."

Upon considtration of the report upon the bill to amend the Land Registry Act a number of amendments were introduced by the Attorney-General and adopted.

Mr. Cotton continued the debate on the school bill. Criticism had failed he said to discover any fault in the principle of the bill, but merely objections as to detail. The necessity for financial readjustment in connection with education was admitted. Harrowing pictures had been drawn of the evils which the educational system would suffer owing to impossible duties imposed upon the trustees. Yet the member for Delta, who was perhaps the chief critic of this feature of the bill was a member of a school board, which for the last eleven years had vouched for a report similar to that required by the new act.

Mr. Oliver seemed to think there was a difference, but

Mr. Cotton showed that in so far as the argument was concerned the matters were practically identical. Judging by the speeches of opposition members, whose knowledge of the bill was transparently meagre, the introduction of this measure had set the heather on fire and trustees resign in a body. He was glad to say that the fire had apparently gone out, that prejudice had largely disappeared, and that no such disruption, as predicted, had been brought about. He briefly reviewed the history of education in the province, and from a study of the events of the past, drew the conclusion that there would be no such impairment of the rural school system as suggested in the debate. These districts were not unfairly discriminated against under the proposed change. They were practically called upon for nothing more than to make up the incidental expenses, such as coal oil, which were very light in connection with the maintenance of the schools. The principle of the bill, that of free education, they were all agreed upon. Differences of opinion were confined to the method of assessing and collecting the required revenue, and in this respect the measure was no mere experiment arising from any peculiar exigency, but was based on systems prevailing in New Brunswick and elsewhere. He cited a statement to show that the additional amount which the bill required from the Delta constituency in order to maintain the schools in their present efficiency, was only about $45.

Mr. Oliver asked how about the cost of collecting the money?

Mr. Cotton presumed that if the municipal machinery were as might be expected under the skilled tutelage of the member for that district the cost would be very little. He remarked that the total valuation of property in the district was $4,032,920 or thereabouts, so that the total expenditure would amount at the most to only one mill on the dollar of the assessment of real estate. There were one or two small matters of detail, which might be subject to improvement, but these could be corrected in committee and did not affect the principle of the bill. He invited the opposition to put aside partizan feeling and co-operate with the government in putting the measure through without a division.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald said it was evident that the bill they were to have, after it emerged from committee, would be a different measure from that brought down by the government. He did not agree that the principle of the bill was free education. Its principle was to exact more taxation from the people. Direct taxation would be better than that proposed. As a result of the assessment commission the government found it advisable to undo their act of last year, and he suggested that this might prove to be the case in connection with the present measure. The admission of a minister of the crown that amendments would have to be made to the bill was evidence of the carelessness with which it was drawn. If, as stated, the bill did not change the incidence of taxation there was no necessity for it. The city of Rossland would suffer financial disadvantage under the bill, and he suggested that the schools might have to close six months in the year as a consequence. He was opposed to the principle of the bill. If there was to be retrenchment why not effect it through some other department, the administration of justice or civil service, which in proportion were much more costly to the province?

Mr. Wells agreed that there was necessity for a readjustment of finances in relation to the educational department, but disagreed with the method adopted. He compared the advent of the bill with the launch of a ship crowded with spectators witnessed by himself in Toronto. A hitch occurred, and enquiry demonstrated the fact that there was a fear of drowning the people. Then an individual came along and said "let her go, I'll take the responsibility." So it was with the government bill. He pointed to the East Kootenay coal and oil lands as an estate which, properly managed, might yield all the revenue required without necessity for increased taxation.

The Premier asked if it was the policy of the Liberal party to deal with those lands in this way?

Mr. Wells did not reply as to this, but

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MRS. STANFORD'S DEATH.

San Francisco, March 7.—Albert Beverly, formerly a butler employed by Mrs. Jane L. Stanford, is said to have acknowledged to Mountford Wilson, attorney for the Stanford estate; District Attorney Byington and captain of detectives, that he had been in the habit of taking commissions of purchases for the Stanford hospital. It also is said that Beverly stated that Miss Berner, who now is in Honolulu, shared with him in these commissions.

Miss Elizabeth Richmond, formerly employed by Mrs. Stanford as a maid, is said to have declared to the police that it was Butler William McWhinney who opened the bottle of mineral water on the occasion of the attempt to poison Mrs. Stanford last January. She said she carried one of the bottles to Mrs. Stanford and that the other was intended for Miss Berner. McWhinney succeeded Beverly as butler, and had been in Mrs. Stanford's service for five weeks prior to the first attempt made to poison her.

Worried Over Chinaman.

It has been learned today that Mrs. Stanford had been worried for a number of weeks before the attempt was made to poison her on January 14 by an insane Chinese named Wong Toy. The fellow wrote her a letter in which he demanded that she give him $30,000, which he said he had on deposit in the Leland Stanford University Trust Bank, a mythical institution. The man hung around till he was arrested. He was sent to an insane asylum on February 9.

Both the private detectives and the local police deny they ever suspected this Chinaman of poisoning Mrs. Stanford. It is known, however, that they spent much time in tracing his movements.

Strychnine in Stomach.

Honolulu, March 7.—High Sheriff Henry told the correspondent of the Associated Press that the chemists, in a test case of the contents of Mrs. Stanford's stomach, had found a color which indicated strychnine poisoning, and that they would so testify at the inquest. He added that the chemists had found strychnine in the bicarbonate of soda whereof Mrs. Stanford partook on the night of her death, and that they would so declare to the coroner's jury.

The Coroner's Inquest.

The inquest in the case of Mrs. Jane L. Stanford was begun yesterday at the Moana hotel, where she died. The first witness examined by the coroner's jury was Miss Berner, who had been Mrs. Stanford's secretary for the last twenty years.

Attorney-General Andrews questioned Miss Berner regarding the bottle of bicarbonate of soda. The witness said it was Mrs. Stanford's custom to take the soda only occasionally, and added: "No one knew of this custom, so far as I am aware, but myself, May Hunt and Nora Hopkins, an employee at the Stanford Residence.

The Suicide Theory.

Questioned by Deputy High Sheriff Rawlins with regard to the possibility of Mrs. Stanford having committed suicide, Miss Berner expressed pity for anyone who could be driven to such a conclusion. "I have not read the newspaper reports of this case," she said, "because they would distress me."

Mrs. Stanford, she said in conclusion, on a few occasions said she hoped some day to rejoin her son and husband, to whose memory she was always devoted, but this was not a frequent topic of conversation with her.

THREATENING VLADIMIR.

St. Petersburg, March 7.—Yesterday's report that an attempt had been made by a man in a general's uniform to gain admittance to Grand Duke Vladimir was incorrect, though the Grand Duke received warnings that such an attempt would be made. There is reason to believe that many of the threats received by him do not emanate directly from the terrorists but from persons actuated by a desire for private vengeance at the loss of loved ones on Jan. 22.

Fiercest Fighting

Climax of Ten Day's Struggle Approaching the End at Mukden.

Losses of Protracted Battle Will Far Outnumber Those of Liaoyang.

Villages and Positions Captured and Recaptured by Both Sides.

MUKDEN, March 7.—(4:35 p. m.)—Fighting of the fiercest nature, which is likely to decide the fate of the battle which has been in progress for ten days, began at dawn today, and has continued uninterruptedly up to the present time on a front fourteen miles long west of the railroad and on a line with the Shakhe river. The Japanese have also made a desperate attack on Bentziputze, and reports are arriving here that the fighting was renewed this morning on the extreme left of the Russian army.

Both sides are fighting with desperate energy to the westward, though the troops are well nigh exhausted. The issue of the battle may depend largely on the relative physical condition of the rank and file. In its main features the combat is like that at Liaoyang and if the Russians should be unable to crush the flanking force, victory may be regarded as won.

Tremendous Losses.

The losses in the ten days of battle on both sides are already far greater than were the results in the battle of Liaoyang and are likely to increase as the days pass before the issue is fully decided.

Beginning at 2 a. m., the Japanese made a succession of desperate attacks on Gen. Tserpitsky's division on the west and south of Mukden, repeating the assault at intervals of two hours with constant reinforcements. About 50,000 Japanese with 200 pieces of artillery participated. All the attacks were repulsed, there being enormous losses on both sides. One extremely important position changed hands several times.

Finally Gen. Tserpitsky on horseback, placing himself at the head of a troop, led his regiments to the attack with colors flying and music playing. The attack was successful. After it was over, the victorious soldiers crowded around Gen. Tserpitsky shouting his praises and even kissing his hands and feet.

Russians Capture Guns.

The Russians captured several guns and many Japanese prisoners, including officers. It was reported that Major-Gen. Gerngross, of the East Siberian Rifles, towards evening has taken and held Tatchekiao. Here and to the northward the Russians many times attacked by columns and battalions, storming positions with the bayonet and without firing a single shot. Foreign correspondents and military attaches found language inadequate to express their admiration of the heroism of the Russian troops. All last night and today Japanese prisoners have been arriving in Mukden from the west front. The majority of them are wounded and all appear downcast and ravenous, many of them crying.

Hurricane Attacks.

Monday night the Japanese attacked Yenhsitsun, Alanpu and Erthtaitzu, and also made four furious attacks on Iuhuantan early this morning. On the fourth attack the Japanese were temporarily successful in driving out the Russians and rushed directly towards the field kitchens, where the morning meal was being prepared, and commenced to bolt the food. The Russians, however, with a shout of "save our dinner, brother," fell upon the Japanese like a hurricane and drove them from the village at the point of the bayonet. A captured Japanese said they had had nothing to eat since Sunday, and that they had been told this morning either to capture the Russians' dinner or starve.

At Erdagou, on the centre, a regiment of chasseurs made a night attack, but the Russians were caught by the Japanese flank and many of them were killed, fifty being captured. At Bentsiaputze the Japanese stormed as far as

The Wire Entanglements.

but were repulsed with great loss. An attack on the east front early this morning resulted in the capture of several Japanese positions near Oubenepusa and the seizing of two Japanese quick-firing guns. The Japanese made a counter attack and a long and desperate struggle ensued, the Russians captured a third quick-firing gun and holding the positions.

The cannonading in the neighborhood of Katchenkiao is now increasing in intensity, the Japanese apparently having brought up reinforcements and are attempting to crush Gen. Gerngross. The Japanese are bringing up supplies by the Simintin road and apparently are using the railroad as a line of communication.

RUSSIANS IN FULL RETREAT

LONDON, March 8.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Tokio says: "Reports are current here that the Russians are in retreat and preparing to destroy the railway north of Mukden. Gen. Kuropatkin is said to have gone to Fushun, after holding a council of war of 100 officers. His left rearguard, consisting of 20,000 picked troops, is retiring. Chinese report that Mukden has been evacuated and that it's great magazines were set on fire by the Japanese artillery."

Scene In the Japanese Trenches

JAPANESE RIGHT ON THE SHA-HO. FROM ILLUSTRIRTE ZEITUNG

WAR SUMMARY.

(By Associated Press.)

For ten days the Japanese and Russian armies in Manchuria have been engaged in a mighty conflict, the issue of which has not yet been reached. Although the most of the news from the scene of battle comes from Russian sources, and consequently may be supposed to present the facts in as favorable a light as possible for the Russian arms, it is evident that the Japanese made some gain yesterday. St. Petersburg has an unofficial report that General Kuropatkin's centre has been broken and that thirteen guns have fallen into the hands of the Japanese. These guns, which are of six and eight inch calibre, were given permanent emplacements on the lines of the railroad near Shakhe station, the fact evidencing the confidence of the Russians that the Japanese could not penetrate thither. In St. Petersburg it is generally believed that General Kuropatkin was yesterday fighting a rearguard action to cover his retreat, and that the night will have witnessed a large withdrawal of troops toward the Tie pass.. All of the commander-in-chief's ability, it is considered, will be required to extricate his army from its present predicament. The issue, it is expected, will be decided today, and much unquestionably depends upon the comparative ability of the opposing armies to resist the effect of hunger and fatigue, the limit of human endurance evidently having been nearly reached on both sides. Beyond the statement that the casualties exceed those of the battle of Liaoyang, there is little known as to the number killed or wounded.

SUFFERING AT ST. PIERRE.

St. John's, Nfld., March 7.—Pitiful accounts have reached here of suffering at St. Pierre, where a degree of destitution that is unprecedented prevails. The French government is taking measures for the relief of sufferers from hunger and cold. Tonight business men in St. Pierre regard the prospects for the future as almost hopeless, the failure of the fisheries for the last few years having been a severe blow to the prosperity of the place.

Sir Wilfrid May Resign

Matters Said to Be In Critical State Failing Settlement of School Question.

Sifton Unalterably Opposed to Compromise and End Is Not Yet.

Ontario Liberals Demand of Leaders Solution of School Difficulty.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, March 7.—Matters are said to be in a critical state with the government tonight. Failing to reach a settlement of the school question, Premier Laurier is said to be on the verge of resigning.

Clifford Sifton declared himself unalterably opposed to anything in the nature of a compromise, while Mr. Greenway is prepared to swallow a half measure.

Archie Campbell presided over a caucus of the Ontario Liberals today that brought Sir William Mulock and Mr. Hyman, who were present, to the blush, and did not bring comfort to Sir Wilfrid's heart. The sole topic of the discussion was the Northwest school question, and for over two hours the members expressed their views in the most frank manner. They wanted to know how they could bridge the gulf between their party loyalty and the views of their constituents as expressed in private letters and confidential communications and the mass of petitions it was their duty to lay on the table of the House. Only a very few had not sufficient backbone to reject the talked-of promises made by Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick in the permanent interests of Quebec views. Even the most clay-backed Grit has not the temerity to say after the caucus broke up that anything had been effected to lessen the tension of the situation or that any definite course had been reached.

Against Autonomy Act.

Half an hour was spent in the House this afternoon in receiving petitions against federal interference with the rights of the Northwest provinces to establish their own school system.

Eloquent tributes were paid to the memory of the late E. F. Clarke from both sides of the House, Sir Wilfrid leading and being followed by the leader of the opposition. Messrs. Osler, Monk, Sproule and others each spoke, giving evidence of their heartfelt appreciation of Mr. Clarke as a man far above the average.

Mr. Wilson, of Lennox, referring to the present attempt at wholesale deportation to Canada of English pauper children down to three years of age, drew from Hon. Mr. Fisher the statement that the government was in no way committed to Mrs. Close's scheme. Child immigrants, wherever from, would be subject, of course, to the regulation of quarantine inspection and medical examination, and if found not acceptable would be deported.

An Expensive Railway.

In committee of supply a sharp discussion was originated by Messrs. Lefurgey and McLean, of Prince Edward Island, regarding the unaccountable cost of the Hillsboro bridge and Murray Harbor railway. Mr. Foster said he proposed to obtain an adequate and full explanation of the entire transactions before he would permit the item to pass, even if it took all summer. It was inexplicable that a road estimate to cost $10,000 a mile should have cost $32,000 per mile.

Will Visit the Yukon.

J. B. Tyrell, the well-known Yukon mining engineer, at present in Ottawa, received a letter today from the secretary of the American Institute of Mining Engineers stating that, after the annual meeting which is to be held in Vancouver in June, 150 members of the Institute will pay a visit to the Yukon.

Lumbermen from all parts of the Dominion saw Hon. Mr. Fielding today and urged the imposition of a duty of two dollars a thousand on pine boards. The minister was non-committal.

A strong committee, with Mr. Osler, M. P., as chairman, has been formed to raise subscriptions for the family of the late E. F. Clarke, who are left penniless.

The House went into committee on Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick's bill to amend the Seamen's Act. The existing law allows a shipping master a fee of fifty cents for every seamen that he signs upon a vessel's crew. In British Columbia it is found difficult to get a shipping master to act for this remuneration, although a fine of forty dollars is imposed on any official refusing to perform this duty. The object of the bill is to authorize a shipping master in British Columbia ports to charge a higher fee for his services than that specified in the present act.

Shipping Act Defeated.

Mr. Fitzpatrick pointed out that the bill would enable a shipping master to enter into an arrangement with a boarding house keeper to get members for vessels and divide the fee with him. Several members regarded the proposal as practically the legalization of crimping. Mr. Borden pointed out that if a shipping master were to be permitted to enter into a contract with a boarding house keeper to divide the profits, it looked like a very serious step. Mr. Macpherson said Victoria alone had asked for this legislation. He attempted to show that it was justifiable under the circumstances, but the consensus of the committee being against it, Mr. Fitzpatrick moved that it arise, and this probably settles the fate of the bill.

STEEL WORKERS STRIKE.

Plant at Chicago Idle Because Men's Demands Were Refused.

Chicago, March 7.—A strike of 300 laborers at the Republic iron and steel works at East Chicago may be followed by a shut down of the plant. The men are dissatisfied because their Sunday wages were reduced, the company refusing to pay as much for seven hours' work on Sunday as the ordinary week day of 10 hours. The strikers then demanded an increase of fifteen cents a day, which would make their wages $1.50.

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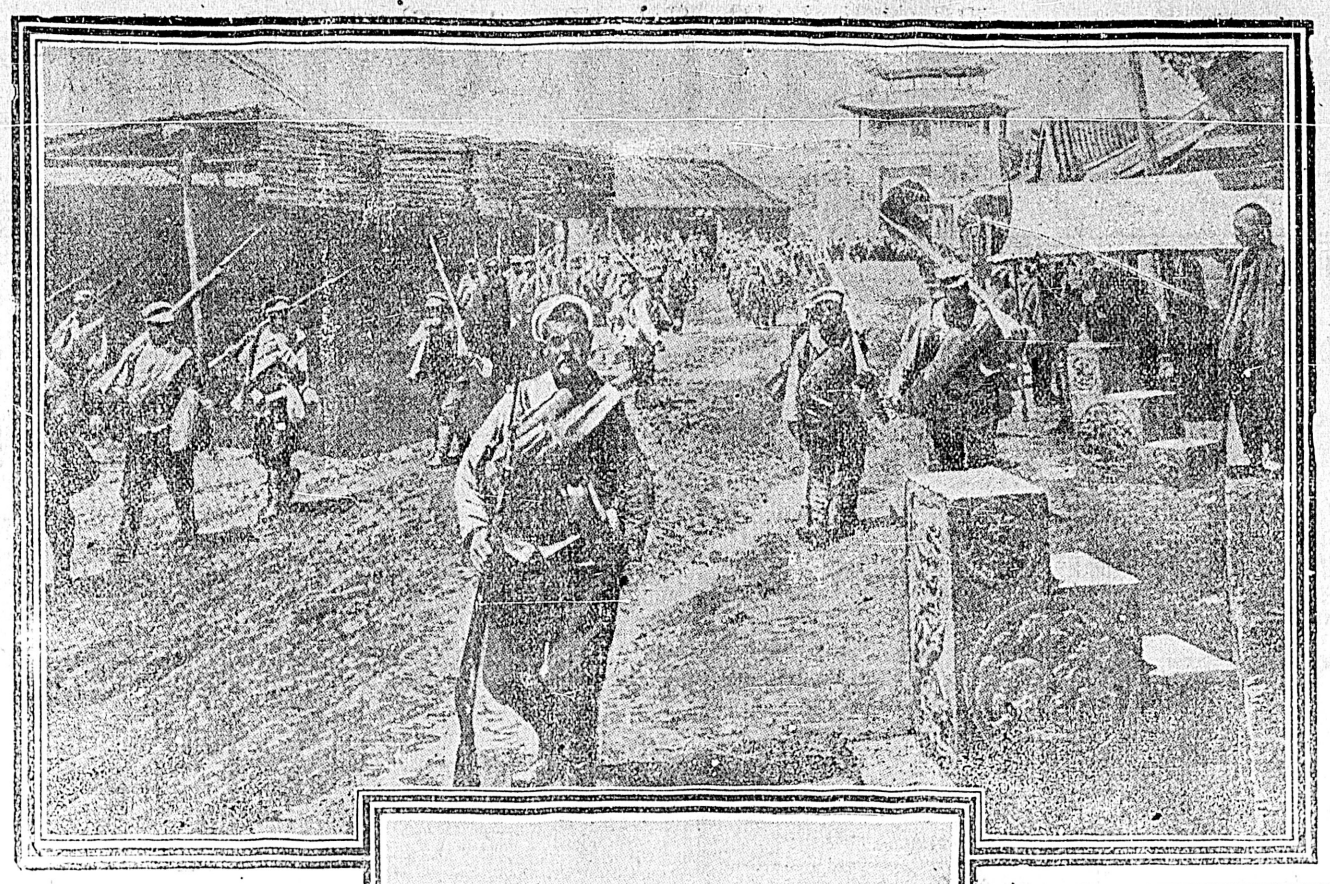

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DIED.

SARGISON—In this city, on the 7th inst., Margaret Barnard, widow of the late Geo. A. Sargison, aged 74 years; a native of Quebec.

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Russian Position Is Desperate

Reported Kuropatkin Has Advised Czar of Retreat From Mukden.

Great Problem Now Is Commander's Ability to Carry Out Retreat.

St. Petersburg, March 8.—(2:15 a. m.)—That the battle of Mukden will go down in history with Liaoyang in the long list of Russian defeats is the almost universal belief here. The war office does not admit that the issue of the great battle, which already exceeds in magnitude of operation and losses that of Shakhe has been decided, although it positively is stated that Gen. Kuropatkin has telegraphed to Emperor Nicholas that it will be impossible to hold Mukden and that the withdrawal of the army northward already has been begun.

Despatches dated at 8 o'clock last night indicate that the position of the Russian army, after a day of furious and unprecedented fighting, is desperate.

Fate Depends on Reserve.

Everything probably now depends upon Gen. Kuropatkin's reserve.

While the Japanese hurled themselves forward at every point yesterday, their main energies were behind the blow west and southwest in an attempt to envelope the Russian right and drive a wedge through the line at Madvapu; but Gen. Kuropatkin seems to have been able to successfully change front on his shattered right, aligning from northwest to southeast, to protect the railway to Mukden; and at nightfall, it is reported, he practically was holding all his positions. At the same time he was drawing in and shortening his line to the southeast.

Encircling Was Unsuccessful.

All the concentrated attacks of the Japanese to the westward failed and the effort of Gens. Nogi and Oku to push the encirling movement north and eastward across Gen. Kuropatkin's line of communications was blocked.

One correspondent telegraphs of hearing firing to the northward towards Tie Pass, which may be between Cossacks and a flying column of Japanese.

Both sides are terribly exhausted by ten days of continuous fighting and all the correspondents at the front intimate that the issue must be

Definitely Decided Today.

At the military clubs here Gen. Kuropatkin is already regarded as beaten, the only question being his ability to retreat.

Politically the result of the battle may determine the question of continued prosecution of the war.

It is estimated the losses on both sides will exceed those at Liaoyang.

KUROPATKIN'S REPORT.

Commander Relates Events up to Sunday Night.

St. Petersburg, March 7.—A despatch from General Kuropatkin, dated March 5, says: "On the right bank of the Hun river the Japanese, who had advanced to Nusingtong, were repulsed, and our detachment, resuming the offensive, occupied Nusingtong and several other villages.

"The enemy also attacked Eltaitse and was driven off.

"In the Poutiloff hill region our troops made one hundred prisoners.

"An assault by the Japanese on Kandelisan was repulsed. The enemy retired southward to our former position in Gaotou pass.

"Our sharpshooters advanced as far as Shunshutze and Chankehezy, having forced the Japanese to retire. Near Oubenepusa the Japanese retired to their former positions.

"Our troops, after some fighting, took possession of a hill near Kuriatze, dominating the surrounding country."

Another despatch from General Kuropatkin, dated March 6, says: "The situation is quiet on the Russian flank west. The Russian artillery is still maintaining its situation on Poutiloff hill.

"The Japanese attack on Kandolisan was repulsed after three hours' fighting.

"The Japanese have again attacked the Russian positions at Oubenepusa, and were repulsed there, and also at Tomaguithen, with enormous loss.

"A Russian detachment on the extreme left has occupied a defile ten miles east of Kondiase, driving back a squadron of Japanese, who left their dead and threw away their arms in their flight."

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Oyama's Plan Of Attacking

Energetic Attacks on the Centre While Striking For the Wings.

Hail Storm of Bullets and Shells Along Twenty Mile Front.

Mukden, March 7.—The outlines of Field Marshal Oyama's strategy have been well defined since March 1. While maintaining a series of energetic attacks on the eastern front and demonstrations on the centre, the Japanese made their principal stroke westward, the chief effort being to break through the triangle of Ulinpu, Madypau and Erthatitzu, thus severing the eastern army and the frontal force from Mukden, and threatening a further advance to the northwest to deprive the Russians of the road by which to retreat to Tie pass. Against this plan Gen. Kuropatkin decided to accept battle, both on the front and west of Mukden and ordered an attack.

Beginning at dawn March 1, there was a terrific artillery fire and rain of missiles from ten batteries on the ground between Nuigantun and Ulinpu. Major-Gen. Tserpitsky's battalions fought fiercely to save Mukden. The Japanese threw themselves bodily upon the regiment and drove it eastward, occupying the railway bed near Erthtaitsu.

Toward evening the fighting slackened on the railway and the cannonading was stilled, but in the twilight the Russians by a brilliant attack captured Podvaza and Padaotun. Throughout the night the same regiments were engaged in demonstrations, resting regiments and batteries.

Fight of Terrific Grandeur.

At dawn on March 6 began a fight of terrific grandeur which might be compared to a hail storm of lead and bullets pelting mercilessly down the whole line twenty miles long.

Through this inferno Japanese and Russians charged and counter-charged, and though some of these have been pounded by batteries continuously for six days, they fought with amazing determination and firmness. Regiments were reduced to companies and companies to squads. But these managed to unite and vied with fresh troops in the columns which they re-entered in the fray south of Kushantun. About Hadyapu, sanguinary fighting was kept up until nightfall. The Japanese were determined to break through at this point.

The soil of the river valley is thickly sown with bits of shrapnel casing and chunks of shell of large and small calibre covered in places with green oxide resulting from the explosion of the shells. Often the men dropped dead, suffering from the stifling gas and smoke and the fumes of high explosives.

As this despatch is written at 8 o'clock the fight is still raging with the intensity of yesterday.

FIGHT ON RIGHT FLANK.

Battle Raged From Dawn to Darkness on Monday.

Mukden, March 6.—(Delayed in Transmission.)—The sixth day of the battle on the Russian right flank raged with undiminished vigor from dawn till darkness. The Japanese made good their position at Tacha and pushed the lines north the same as on Sunday, four miles from the main battle, though apparently no nearer. As was the case in the battle of Liaoyang, the semi-circle positions, where the battle is progressing, are now so near that the whole of them are accessible from Mukden in a day's tour.

The losses already exceed those in the battle of Liaoyang on the Russian side, and the Japanese are supposed to have suffered much more, though this does not seem to shake the Japanese tenacity, for at noon today they attacked Yensitun, advancing their infantry and provoking a counter-attack, which was first reported to have resulted in Russian infantry occupying Yenhsitun about 2 p. m., when the artillery battle increased furiously, shells setting fire to many buildings, the smoke from which, joining a dust storm, shrouded the vast plain in clouds, in which the battle roared as the sun sank.

Ground Strewn With Dead.

Graves are increasing in number while dead strew the ground. The troops have been several days without rest and their powers of resistance are declining. They plainly show the strain of the terrible work. The ground is deeply frozen.

The Japanese continue to flank the Russian positions. One Japanese division is known to have extended to Geling.

The Japanese maintained a frontal attack Sunday night, having attacked Shakhe, Erdagenu and Huanati, and the extreme east, where they are again advancing. The centre remains Russian, but on the southwest the Russians are falling back on their second position. The army on the right wing is now thrown back on the Russian settlement, converting it into a great metropole isle. All night long trains of lighted cars are to be seen extending in all directions on improvised railways, to camps where three days ago there was nothing but bare fields. In magnitude the present battle promises to about equal the battle of the Shakhe river.

Tien-ling Or Tie Pas

Position to Which Kuropatkin Seeks to Retire Is Strongest in Manchuria.

The writer has been asked many times since the present battle began, "Where is Tie Pass?" If Colonist readers consult a map of Manchuria, even small ones with only the more important cities marked, they will find Tieh-ling marked, on the railway, at a distance of 45 miles from Mukden. Tieh-ling is Tie Pass. The affix "ling" is Chinese for "pass." Mukden lies in a plain. Beyond this city to the north are low ranges of wooded hills and rolling country, and near Tieh-ling a number of low hills break the plain at intervals. Tieh-ling lies in a valley three miles wide between two spurs, and there the Russians have made great preparations for defence. Thousands of dollars have been expended, and thousands of Chinese coolies worked for months to build redoubts and miles of trenches. When the Yalu was crossed work began on the redoubts of Liaoyang, when Tashih-chiao was lost work began at Tieh-ling. But the Japanese, well informed of Kuropatkin's intention to make a great stand at Tieh-ling, or, as despatches usually refer to it, Tie pass, have obviously cut his retreat; it is a question if the army will be able to reach the defences prepared for it. At least a portion, if not all, will be cut off. That which escapes will suffer terribly in a demoralized retreat; the situation seems hopeless for the Russians.

Tieh-ling is the strongest position south of Harbin; it is stronger than Liaoyang, stronger by far than Mukden. It is the real Russian base. Mukden was Kuropatkin's headquarters, it is true, but it was at Tieh-ling that the stores were assembled, at Tieh-ling that the armies from Europe mobilized before they took the field in the defences just south of Mukden. Many hold that Tieh-ling is the natural fortress of Manchuria, and therefore the cutting of Kuropatkin's army from Tieh-ling is the

Most Decisive Blow

that Oyama could hurl against Kuropatkin. If, as is stated by some despatches to the Colonist, a strong force has succeeded in establishing itself at the Russian rear, cutting the way to the pass, a crucial victory may result; a victory which would be so decisive that peace may be brought measurably close.

The importance of Tieh-ling to Russia cannot be underestimated. Once it is lost Kuropatkin has lost Manchuria. It does not necessarily follow that in the event of the Russian general being able to extricate his army—and despatches certainly seem to indicate that he will not be able to retreat with his army intact—he would retire from Tieh-ling to Harbin, 300 miles to the north, where the Vladivostok-Moscow line joins the southern railway to Mukden and Port Arthur. But this is certain; if Kuropatkin cannot hold Tieh-ling there is no position between that pass and Harbin that he can hold. Oyama and his staff know well the

Importance of Tieh-ling.

This knowledge has resulted in the formidable effort, made with such clever and daring tactics, to prevent Kuropatkin from falling back into the position prepared there.

As will be remembered Kuroki's sweeping movement on the right at Liaoyang was daring; his army was cut completely from communication for a day and a half and at one stage of the operations was threatened with disaster. Now Nogi, and, perhaps, a new force landed at Newchwang recently with the same secrecy which characterizes all Japanese movements, has been thrown in a sweeping movement towards Kuropatkin's right rear, while Kuroki has repeated his sweeping movement against the left rear; already the scouts of these forces are reported to be in contact between the Russian position and Tieh-ling, or Tie pass. Kuropatkin obviously expected that Oyama would not invade the neutrality of China, despite the fact that during the Cossack raid on the Japanese communications and Newchwang the neutrality of China was ruthlessly violated. Nogi took a leaf from Kuropatkin's book and occupied Hsinmintun, which is 30 miles northeast of Mukden on the Liao, and he burned the Russian stores accumulated there and took charge of the Chinese telegraphs, preventing news being sent that would have reached Kuropatkin. Incidentally he burned the stores which hundreds of Greek camp followers had stored there for sale to the Russian troops and dispersed many camp-followers of the Russians.

The movement will be better understood when it is said that the occupation of Hsinmintun, which is the destination of the railway which joins the Newchwang-Pekin road at Koupantze, 75 miles away, places the army of Nogi in a position to sweep

Across the Russian Rear.

As stated, contact has been made with Kuroki's scouts from the opposite flank, and the question which, doubtless, all readers are anxious to learn is—how strong is the force which seeks to cut off the retreat on Tieh-ling and surround the Russian forces.

Tieh-ling has an importance also in the fact that it is the great granary for all that vast territory which lies between Tieh-ling and Harbin, where millions of bushels of millet and other grain are grown yearly. The war has stopped the shipment by the Liao to Newchwang (Yinkow) this year and large amounts were stored at Tieh-ling—stores which doubtless have helped to supply the Russian armies. Then, too, at Kaiyuan, another town 30 miles north, there is also another considerable store of grain. With these two places held, the Russians are assured of supplies and moreover can drawn on Mongolia for cattle and ponies. Therefore Tieh-ling is a place to be held at all costs. As long as an unbeaten Russian army holds Tieh-ling the Japanese position is unsafe; with Tieh-ling lost the Muscovite hold on southern Manchuria is gone. That is the importance of Tieh-ling.

A word or two regarding the topography of

Tieh-ling or Tie Pass.

The city itself is a walled departmental city just west of the main road from Mukden to Kirin. In the city and suburbs there are in normal times 30,000 Chinese, a population now swollen because of the war. The Liao river, which turns west and afterwards swerves southward to Hsiniptun, passed within two miles of the west wall, and when the river is not frozen, junks land at a landing stage in a village called Mafeng-kou. Small sea-going junks can ascend the Liao to this village, which is 205 miles from Newchwang, the seaport. It is by this means that the great amount of grain grown in Manchuria is shipped to foreign marts. The railway runs between the west wall of Tieh-ling and the river. The station is a more important one than that at Mukden, with many sidings. Four barracks, each 100 feet long, were constructed on the railway concession at the time of the Boxer trouble.

On the left or north bank of the Liao river as it comes to Tieh-ling, there is a long range of hills forming, with the river at their base,

A Splendid Protection

for the right flank of a Russian army resting at Tieh-ling, while on the eastern side of the town there are the usual low hills of eastern Manchuria. The city, with walls of brick and stone thirty feet high and towered gates at the four points of the compass, lies in the pass between these hills. The pass is the strongest position that can be found between Newchwang and Harbin and is not to be easily outflanked. At the right, instead of the usual plain running westward from Mukden and Liaoyang, the Liao river protects the right. The Liao here has a high bluff on its northern bank. Of course, the frozen condition of the Liao at the present time nullifies this protection to a certain extent. On the left there are fewer roads than in the vicinity of Mukden or Liaoyang, particularly the latter city where many trunk roads of China converge.

Therefore, as can be readily seen, it is all important to Kuropatkin to fall back on the position prepared at Tie pass, or Tieh-ling; it is all important to Oyama to prevent him from doing so.—G. S.

Battle Area Described

Russians Will Be in Desperate Straits If Their Retreat From Tieh-Ling Is Cut.

SAXONY'S DISGRACED PRINCESS.

Former Wife of King Augustus Is Without Money in Florence.

Florence, March 7.—The Countess Montignoso (formerly Crown Princess Louise of Saxony) has been obliged to give up her villa at Papiniavo and has taken rooms in a hotel at Fiesolo. The Countess states that the change is necessary until her former husband (King Frederick Augustus of Saxony) either voluntary or by order of the courts, pays her the allowance agreed upon at the time of her divorce.

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WORK AT ROSSLAND.

Pumping Out Flooded Shaft of Evening Claim Started.

Rossland, B. C., March 7.—The work of pumping out the shaft of the Evening-Eureka has been started and diamond drilling will soon be commenced. Work on this group was suspended a couple of weeks since owing to the inrush of water from the spring thaw which flooded the 200-foot shaft to the brim. The intention is to do some extensive diamond drilling from the 200-foot level. The Evening-Eureka group is owned by Ross Thompson and was bonded last fall to the Le Roi No. 2 for $175,000. The development which has been in progress has resulted in showing considerable ore and the diamond drilling is intended to show the extent of the ore bodies. The first payment is due on June 1.

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STRIKE ON N. Y. LINES.

Subway and Elevated Roads Affected and Serious Accident Results.

New York, March 7.—With one collision in which 29 persons were injured, but none killed, New York has passed through the first day of the general strike in its suburban railroad system. Beyond this accident and some minor casualties due to the abnormal conditions, the sum total of the day was annoying and vexatious to a million of people who depend upon the inter-borough lines for transportation to and from their business. So far there has been little disorder. Encounters between individuals and the action of a few in throwing missiles at passing elevated trains tells this phase of the strike.

The annoyance to the public was increased by a wet snow which began falling this afternoon. Service on the elevated roads while not tied up was badly crippled. Trains were run on irregular schedule in the underground, beginning with the early morning, but the elevated lines did not fare so well. On the East side practically no attempt was made to institute a service, while the Sixth and Ninth avenue lines, which serve the West side, were run in a fashion woefully inadequate. In fact the elevated system of the interborough lines was pretty well patronized. The company's entire energy seemed to be directed to an effort to maintain service in the subway and this was partially successful.

Strike-breakers at Work.

Strike breaker Farly and his crew of seven hundred or eight hundred men were thrown into the tunnel; officials of the company gave this system their personal attention and an enormous number of policemen were detailed to the trains and stations. The attempt to run express trains was abandoned early in the day.

Every possible man was put on the locals and a fairly good schedule was maintained during the evening rush hours until the accident at Twenty-third street occurred. This upset things, but after an energetic effort the service was resumed.

The accident at Twenty-third street was in the nature of a rear-end collision, due, it is said, to the inexperience of the men running the trains. The two trains had their rear ends smashed in. Fifteen passengers were severely hurt and they had to be sent to hospitals. Traffic was delayed two hours and a half.

The train was crowded when it reached Twenty-third street. The last car of the train of the new steel cars, and the car ahead of it, was of wooden type with copper sheathing. Samuel T. Bradford, a strike breaker, was the guard between these two cars.

Cars Were Crowded.

The front platform of the head car and the rear platform of the wooden car were so crowded that Bradford had difficulty in operating the sliding doors. The train had just drawn into the Twenty-third street station, and some of the passengers were about to alight when there was a crash, as a train which had left the bridge only thirty seconds after the first train, dashed into the train standing at Twenty third street. The steel car on the first train smashed into the rear of the car ahead. All lights of the first train went out, and a moment later were heard the cries of the injured and panic-stricken passengers. Those who were standing in the two rear cars of the first train and in the first cars of the second train were thrown to the floors. The passengers standing on the platform of the first train were caught as in a vice. It was here that all of those who were hurt received their injuries.

Chop Cars Apart.

Policemen and firemen were summoned to chop the cars apart and rescue the imprisoned. It was fifteen minutes before the first of the victims were released. Meantime some of the cooler passengers in the train had lighted matches in the cars and were assisting the women to the doors at the unbroken ends of the two cars, and in a few minutes men and women were being passed through the broken windows to the platform. Some of them were carried across the tracks to the down town station. Many persons bleeding from slight cuts and other trifling injuries left the train in this way without giving their names to the police. The firemen worked for over an hour before they were able to cut the last ofthe injured passengers out of the car. Five ambulances responded to the call for aid, and several physicians with residences in the vicinity were called.

MRS. CHADWICK'S TRIAL.

Manager of Bank Explains How Credits Were Passed in Lady's Favor.

Cleveland, March 7.—Nine witnesses were examined in the Chadwick trial today and the defence sought to establish the fact that the claim of the government that Mrs. Chadwick had no money in the Oberlin bank at the time of drawing the checks which were certified by Spear and Beckwith, was incorrect in two instances at least. The general manager of the bank stated that on Nov. 3, 1903, when Mrs. Chadwick received a certified check for $10,000, an entry crediting her with that amount was made on the journal of the bank, and a deposit slip for $10,000 was made out in her name. The entry and the slip were in the handwriting of Cashier Spear. Another entry of similar nature amounting to $5,000 was also found. These facts were brought out on cross-examination by Judge Wing, counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, after long questioning of H. H. Avery, assistant cashier of the Oberlin bank. Avery at first testified that Mrs. Chadwick at no time had either money in or credit at the bank. It is doubtful if the cashier will take the stand.

Carnegie Will Not Testify.

Judge Wing said today: "It is not my present intention to put Mr. Carnegie on the stand, and I do not think he will be called upon to testify, unless his evidence should be needed in regard to something required by the bench."

Mrs. Chadwick came into the court today apparently none the worse for her illness, which caused the adjournment of court yesterday afternoon. Andrew Carnegie was in court.

E. P. Halter of Oberlin resumed his testimony as soon as the court opened. He was a director of the Citizens' National bank of Oberlin, and gave evidence covering the meetings of the bank. He said he knew nothing until Nov. 27, 1904, of Mrs. Chadwick's transactions with the bank. J. F. Randolph of Oberlin, also a director of the Oberlin bank, gave evidence similar to that of Mr. Holter. C. P. Doolittle, an instructor in Charlin college, and a director of the bank, testified that he never knew of any dealings between the bank and Mrs. Chadwick until the day before the bank closed. The Chadwick deals were not reported by Cashier Spear to the directors.

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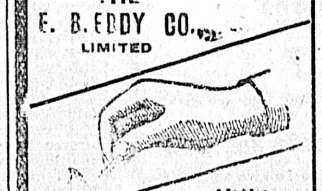

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Camosun Coming To Vancouver

New Steamer Built For Union S. S. Co. For Skagway Run Is on the Way.

City of Seattle Ashore — Flora Went to Seek Marooned Man in the South.

The steamer Camosun, a fine new passenger steamer of 1,350 tons register, built without the fact being known more than could be avoided, at Paisley, by Bow, McLachlan & Co., Ltd., for the Union Steamship Company of Vancouver, is now eighteen days out from the Clyde for Vancouver. The new vessel will be placed on the Skagway run, and with her the Union S.S. Co. will compete for a share of the passenger trade, the steamer having been built with a view to furnishing passenger accommodation second to none.

While the Vancouver steamer is not as speedy as many vessels on the route—she will not make as much speed as the Princess May or some others of the Skagway liner—she is elegantly fitted up, the work having been completed at the Scotch yard before she sailed on her way to British Columbia, unlike that of the Princess Victoria, which was done in the province.

At her trials held on the Clyde on February 3 the new steamer developed a speed of 13¾ knots on her loaded trial, this being in excess of the contract requirement. The machinery supplied by Bow, McLachlan & Co., the builders, worked smoothly and without hitch, to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The steamer, which has been named after the historic early name of this city, known when the Hudson's Bay Company had its fort on the corner of Bastion and Government streets, as Fort Camosun, is fitted out in a most complete manner to carry one hundred first-class and a large number of second-class passengers. The cabins for passengers are nicely finished and well furnished apartments, replete with all modern conveniences for the comfort of passengers.

The saloons are commodious and effectively furnished. The dining saloon, framing and panels are of mahogany polished in the natural color. The smoking room is in teak, similarly treated, while the saloon, or sitting room, is finished in mahogany, with enameled white panels. The upholstery work is of a complete and tasteful character, harmonizing well with the cabinet work and furniture. The steamer is heated throughout by steam, and has a complete installation of electric light, including searchlight and signal lights; electric fans are also fitted, special attention having been given to the ventilating and lighting of all apartments.

MISSION OF MERCY.

Flora Went to Albemarle When She Left Here to Seek Marooned Man.

On her way home from Esquimalt the cruiser Flora had a commission to fulfil. The warship was to call at a lone island in the South Pacific where a British subject was alleged to have been marooned. The Flora left Esquimalt, never to return, on September 20, and after fifteen days at sea, when Jerry, the British Columbia bear, which was the pet of the lower deck, died of sea-sickness, the Flora arrived at Acapulco to coal. One of the 200-ton lighters from which she coaled capsized alongside, but was raised by the divers of the cruiser.

Then the Flora started on her mission of rescue. She proceeded to Albemarle island, an uninhabited spot in the Galapagos group, through which the Equator passes. The orders received by Captain Caspar J. Baker were to look for a missing man, who was supposed to have been placed on the island by foul play. The means is not stated. Landing parties were sent ashore and search made for the unfortunate, who was thought to have been marooned there, but no trace was found of him.

It had not been intended when the cruiser left Esquimalt for the south that she would not return. After her unsuccessful visit to Albemarle island the vessel proceeded to Coquimbo, Chili. During the North Sea outrage the Flora had orders to prepare for emergencies, and Sunday was spent in coaling and provisioning ship, showing how, even in distant waters, every ship was ready.

On November 4 the Flora, whilst carrying out target practice, received the telegram ordering her to return to England immediately, and in less than 36 hours she left Coquimbo amidst the cheers of the Chilian man-of-war and the strains of the band playing "Rolling Home to Dear Old England."

After experiencing some bad weather, the Straits of Magellan were reached and five days later the Flora anchored in Port Famine for the night. The only ports called at were Montevideo and St. Vincent, at both of which the stay was only sufficient to fill the bunkers. Plymouth was reached on December 9, after a record run home, averaging over 14 knots, without a single breakdown.

During the whole commission the engines kept in perfect order, in spite of having steamed some 40,000 miles. On January 16 the Flora paid off after a "record" commission—record alike in gunnery, evolutions, steaming, and sports of all sorts. The defaulters' sheet was also very small owing to the Flora being a happy ship.

TO DESTROY DERELICT.

U. S. S. Solace Goes to Find and Obliterate Wreck Drifting Off Coast.

The U. S. S. Solace has been ordered to sea from San Francisco to seek the derelict drifting toward the coast of Vancouver Island, and last seen off the Columbia river. The Solace is to find and destroy the derelict. It was reported some days ago by Captain Spivey of the British ship Pythomene, who said that on February 26, off the mouth of the Columbia, he sighted an unknown derelict, about 150 feet in length and with her back broken, floating helplessly on the sea. He did not make a close inspection of the wreck. But in consequence of his report the government at Washington has sent the Solace out to find and destroy the derelict.

CITY OF SEATTLE ASHORE.

Grounded on Beach at Bellingham During Fog on Monday.

Steamer City of Seattle is ashore at Bellingham, where she grounded during a fog on Monday morning. She overran the wharf in the fog, and before the danger was realized the vessel was heading for the beach. When stopped she was resting on a bar in ten feet of water. She draws fifteen feet.

There were forty passengers on board at the time, and the vessel had forty tons of freight. The passengers were, of course, discommoded, but everything possible was done for them, and no one was injured.

Captain Martin assumes the blame for the accident. He says he went to sleep after leaving Anacortes, leaving instructions to be called in 36 minutes.

He had barely reached the bridge when he noticed the boat grinding on the shore. It is said the vessel was behind time, and was running unusually fast to catch up. An effort will be made this morning with the company's liner Umatilla to pull the grounded craft off. It is not thought she has suffered any damage, as she is resting on soft mud, and the weather is calm.

THE MINNESOTA.

Japanese Paper Urges Nippon Lines to Better Their Services.

The Tokio Asaha, commenting on the coming of the Hill liner Minnesota to Oriental waters, said: The number of oceangoers that boast of a displacement of over 10,000 tons is less than sixty, while the figures of one hand more than suffice for the number of those exceeding 20,000 tons, even on the Atlantic, where international rivalry runs the keenest.

It is significant that the route having San Francisco for one of its termini already possesses four vessels of more than 10,000 tons capacity, and still more so is it that the Seattle line has now put a huge craft of 21,000 tons displacement on its service.

The days when the Pacific used to form a retreat for the old derelicts counted out of the race on the Atlantic are now gone, and gone forever. Even now the C. P. R. Company is constructing three 14,000 or 15,000 tonners, to take the place of the Empress liners. When these are completed, where will the liners of the N. Y. K. and T. K. K. be? True, the N. Y. K. is soon to have the Tango Maru added to its fleet; but even she is only of 7,300 tons displacement. The Journal urges that the two companies are under great obligations to the nation for the heavy subsidies they are receiving, and it behooves them to make every effort to uphold Japan's position in the trans-Pacific traffic.

MANY STEAMERS CHARTERED.

Will Carry Foodstuffs to Japan—Insurance on Seized Blockade Runners.

Of late a number of steamers have been chartered to load at various ports on the Pacific coast, their charters reading "for any two safe ports in Japan." These vessels are to carry foodstuffs and other stores for the apanese government. The steamer Colombo is coming to Victoria from Singapore for orders, the Norweglan steamer Guernsey is coming from Shanghai to Puget Sound, the Ocean Monarch, Nairn, Foreric and Ellerie to Puget Sound and the Columbia. It is expected that other charters will be made.

No further attempts will be made to run the blockade to Vladivostok from the Pacific coast, at least while the various straits are blocked with ice. The underwriters were heavily hit by the many captures which marked the close of the ventures. The M. S. Dollar and Wyefield, both of which were Victoria steamers, were insured. The M. S. Dollar was insured for $150,000 and the cargo she carried at $350,000. The Wyefield was insured at $210,000, and the cargo she carried at $275,000.

BEING SHIPPED BACK.

Mrs. Margaret Norrington, the unfortunate woman who arrived from San Francisco by the steamer Senator, and was refused landing by Dr. Milne, Dominion immigration officer, is to be return to Victoria by the San Francisco immigration officials, despite the fact that she hailed from there. The unfortunate woman, who came here seeking a cousin, now no longer a resident of Victoria, is destitute. She is 75 years of age, and would become a public charge. For this reason the immigration officer ordered her return when she was landed from the steamer Senator, and she went back to San Francisco by that steamer. The San Francisco Examiner of Sunday says: "Mrs. Margaret Norrington, the aged woman who arrived on the steamer Senator last Thursday from Victoria, will be obliged to return to that port on the same vessel when it sails tomorrow. At a final meeting of the board of inquiry from the immigration bureau held yesterday morning to deliberate on the case it was decided that Mrs. Norrington would undoubtedly become a burden on the community were she allowed to remain.

"Mrs. Norrington is 75 years of age and a native of England. She is feeble-minded and tells several different stories of her past life. At the close of the investigation the officials made up their minds that the Victoria authorities had sent the woman to the United States in order to rid themselves of her charge. As they had no right to deport one of their own country, Mrs. Norrington will be returned to them."

THE TORPEDO BOATS.

Vancouver Report Says One Is Bought by Mr. Wallace.

Mr. A. Wallace, the well known local shipbuilder, was the successful tenderer for one of the torpedo boats recently placed on the market by the British Admiralty at Esquimalt, says the Vancouver World. The boat secured by Mr. Wallace is known as No. 40. M. J. O. Fleming, book-keeper for Mr. Wallace, will go down to Esquimalt today, to dismantle No. 40 in preparation to bringing her across the Gulf to Vancouver. On arrival here, the engines of the craft will be taken out and the hull will probably be sold for scrap iron. The engines are extremely powerful ones of the compound type. They will be used to engine some new small craft. The price paid for No. 40 is not stated. Both boats cost the Admiralty £8,000 each to build.

It is said at Esquimalt that no decision had been reached regarding the sale, the tenders having been forwarded to the Admiralty, who will select the offers suitable to the naval lords.

MARINE NOTES.

Captain Cousins of the steamer Senator is visiting Victoria. He was the recipient of a gold-headed cane and an address presented by Victorians some days ago on the anniversary of the fire of the steamer Queen, on which occasion his bravery and skill aided in saving the lives of his passengers.

Steamer Meteor passed up yesterday to load at Nanaimo for San Francisco.

Steamer Hyades left Yokohama on March 4 for Victoria, and is due on the 25th. She has 350 tons of cargo for this port.

Steamer Aorangi is due from Australia next Wednesday.

The steamer Leelenaw of the Pacific Freighting Company, with cargo of coal from Comox, arrived at Skagway on the 6th inst. at noon.

British ship Inveramsay has arrived at Chemainus to load lumber for Australia. The British ship Springbank is reported chartered, and may also load at Chemainus. She is chartered to load for Melbourne or Adelaide, loading in British Columbia or Puget Sound being optional. British ship Cedarbank, bringing general cargo from Liverpool, is about due; she is out 138 days from Liverpool for this port.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

Congregational Church Entertainment Delighted Large Audience.

The Scotch concert in the Sunday school of the Congregational church, under the auspices of W. D. Kinnaird and the choir, was a rare treat. The comfortable room was well filled with an appreciative audience and the various numbers on the programme were thoroughly enjoyed. Rev. A. J. Carson was in charge and the accompanists were Mrs. Hall and Miss Scowcroft. Among the most popular items were Mrs. Gideon Hicks' vocal solo, "Annie Laurie"; the duet by Mrs. Hicks and W. D. Kinnaird, "Hoo Lean Ye Gang, Laddie"; piano solo, Miss Kinnaird. Mr. W. Allan received an enthusiastic encore for his recitation, "A Trip Tae the Highlands." In response he rendered "How Rubenstein Played the Piano." Miss Bishop contributed a splendid solo and Mr. Jesse Longfield gave a violin selection in his well-known style. Mr. J. G. Brown's pleasing voice was heard to great advantage in his solo, and the Talbot orchestra was well received. Refreshments were served, and after spending the remainder of the evening in a social manner, the large gathering dispersed, highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

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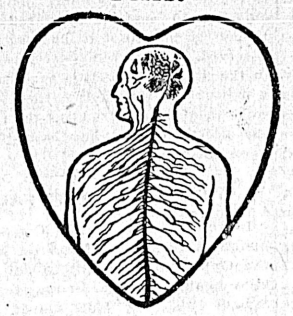

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, March 6—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

A vast high barometer area has spread over this province from the Pacific and fine weather has become general over the Pacific slope from Cassiar to California, and moderate winds are reported on the coast from Vancouver Island to San Francisco. With the exception of showers in Manitoba the weather has been fair from the coast to the Great Lakes.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	39	56
New Westminster	36	54
Kamloops	32	56
Barkerville	26	40
Dawson, Y. T.	0	10
Calgary, Alta.	32	46
Winnipeg, Man.	12	32
Portland, Ore.	46	64
San Francisco, Cal.	50	74

FORECASTS

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Tuesday:

Victoria and vicinity: Winds mostly northerly; generally fair and moderately warm during the day.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly northerly; generally fair, and moderately warm during the day.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	47	Mean	51
Noon	52	Highest	55
5 p.m.	52	Lowest	47

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... Calm.
Noon ..... 4 miles northeast.
5 p.m. ..... Calm.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—2 hours 54 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.018
Corrected 30.034

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 30.00

SUNDAY, MARCH 5.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	46	Mean	47
Noon	48	Highest	50
5 a.m.	47	Lowest	45

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 8 miles west.
Noon ..... 12 miles southwest.
5 p.m. ..... 12 miles southwest.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—3 hours 36 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.240
Corrected 30.262

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 30.24

MONDAY, MARCH 6.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	40	Mean	47
Noon	48	Highest	56
5 p.m.	49	Lowest	39

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... Calm.
Noon ..... 8 miles northeast.
5 p.m. ..... Calm.

Average state of weather—Fair.
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Barometer at noon—Observed 30.436
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NO COMPROMISE ON SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

There can be no compromise at Ottawa on the question of separate schools in the Northwest Territories. No modifications or qualifications of the clauses introduced into the bill for Provincial autonomy by Sir Wilfrid Laurier will meet the constitutional requirements.

The situation demands that the Dominion should keep its hands off entirely.

It may be said that this is a matter that affects the Northwest Territories only, and is, therefore, of a secondary interest to the people of the other Provinces. Not so. It involves a principle of equal interest to the people of all the Provinces. It is a Dominion matter so long as it is being discussed in the Dominion Parliament.

Nor does it involve a discussion as to whether separate schools are right or wrong. That is an entirely different matter. A man who is an ardent supporter of separate schools can logically take as strong a ground on the question of the interference of the Dominion as can their bitterest opponent. In fact, Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself, admittedly a firm adherent of the principle, opposed, and we may assume conscientiously opposed, the measure for remedial legislation in Manitoba, introduced by the Liberal-Conservative Government.

Section 93 of the British North America Act provides that the Legislature may exclusively make laws in relation to education, subject and according to certain provisions. These provisions are set out in sub-sections 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Sub-section 1 provides that nothing in the law shall prejudicially affect the rights or privileges or denominational schools, which any class of persons have by law in the Province at the time of Union.

Sub-section 2 relates entirely to Quebec and need not be considered here.

Sub-section 3 provides that an appeal shall lie to the Governor-General in Council from any act or decision of a Provincial Government affecting the rights or privileges of the Protestant or Roman Catholic minorities.

Sub-section 4 provides, in case the due execution of the provisions of Section 93 are not carried out, or the decision of the Governor-General in Council on appeal is not duly executed, that in every case and as far only as the circumstances of each case require the Parliament of Canada may make remedial laws.

In respect to sub-section 1, it is admitted that denominational schools do exist in the Northwest Territories by law, and, therefore, their continuance, if desired, is incumbent upon the Legislatures of the new Provinces.

The crux of the whole question lies in this fact, that the British North America Act has already made all the provisions necessary for the protection of religious minorities in the Northwest, and such protection becomes the duty of the Provinces and not of the Dominion, except as a measure of last resort.

The practical effect of any legislation on the part of the Dominion Government at this stage is a limitation of the rights of the Provinces under the British North America Act, and, therefore, unconstitutional.

Even if the legislation proposed went no farther and was exactly parallel with the provisions of Section 93, it is wholly unnecessary and not contemplated by the framers of the Act.

The Dominion Parliament has no right to assume that the legislatures of the new Provinces will not perform their duty and, therefore, there is excuse neither in law nor justice for what may be regarded as purely an act of supererogation.

USELESS AT FORTY, DEAD AT SIXTY.

It is a pity that Dr. Osler's brilliant address at Baltimore was not associated with a more brilliant idea than that a man's usefulness was on the decline at forty, and practically nil at sixty. In a very large measure Dr. Osler contradicts himself, for when he was asked how he reconciled his idea with the fact of his having published his first book at forty and other books thereafter, he replied: "No man ought to think of writing a book until he is forty. Up to that time he should be engaged upon more important things, creating what he intends to write about." How comes it then that at forty he commences the task of embodying his life's work in book form—a task that is admittedly a more exhaustive drain upon the intellect than anything else he could have encompassed during his previous career? It is quite palpable that the writing of a book of that nature and the others which followed it, notably "The Principles and Practice of Medicine," necessitated an amount of close and concentrated application which is ludicrous to attribute to a man "on the decline"—and yet in face of this upheaval of his own convictions the learned professor still stands by his guns. As to the statement which has been seriously attributed to him that "all men over sixty should be chloroformed," the professor has said that it was only a pleasantry culled from Anthony Trollope's novel, "The Fixed Period," and was used merely as an illustration of his own modified idea that sixty is the limit to a man's capability.

Of course, a man who has crossed the rubicon of life as defined by Dr. Osler, himself in that class, cannot be expected to give a disinterested opinion on the subject. No man over forty is willing to admit that his usefulness is past, and the older he gets the less likely is he to admit it. Such an assertion coming from a man less qualified to speak on the subject might have served to confirm the theory, but a man at 56 who "retires" to Oxford to occupy an important position cannot really be regarded as believing in his own teachings, otherwise he would refuse to saddle that institution with the dregs of his career.

It is probably true that a man becomes fully matured at or about the age of forty, and that thereafter he is less receptive to new ideas, less original and less progressive. Physically, at all events, between forty and fifty decline commences and in too many cases the body clogs the mind. There are, however, those who believe that the mental faculties, if exercised, never stop developing. We have many wonderful examples of this. We have also splendid examples of men physically extending their lives into the eighties and nineties with energies and faculties but little impaired. It depends upon the man himself, and, to a considerable degree, upon the stock he has sprung from. There is no rule governing such matters. Some men are older, mentally and physically, at forty-five than others are at seventy-five. Cato it was, we believe, who studied Greek after he was eighty. Most men would regard it a great task after thirty.

From youth to thirty-five is the formative period. The foundation of a man's career is probably all laid in that time and his future determined, but the experience has been in many cases that the best work of life has been done long after that. As a conspicuous instance, we may take the great work of Milton, conceived and executed in the blindness of his old age. Goethe completed the second part of "Faust" in his eighty-first year. In fact, examples are so numerous that the statement of Dr. Osler can only be accepted as applicable in a limited sense in many cases, and as not necessarily true at all in many others.

In too many instances the experience gained from comparative youth upward only begins to blossom into ripe maturity at forty, and it is from this age onward that the world looks for well-balanced minds capable of governing it. It is from this age onward that impulse is largely eliminated from the character and a clear-sighted reasoning takes its place. Youth—say from twenty to thirty-five—is every day gaining that experience which invests the individual with the sober judgment necessary for a proper administration of the world's affairs. In political life particularly a man is looked upon as a junior until he is over forty—it has been impossible for him, until then, to have gained the experience that is necessary for the exploitation of his own ideas—brilliant though some of them may be.

In the United States young men come to the front very rapidly and in the rush and bustle of life they snuff out at an early age. Dr. Osler has lived many years in the United States and his judgment is probably based upon his experience there. Under proper mental and physical conditions of life there is no reason why men should not have a responsible grasp of affairs while comparatively young, and old men should not remain young until they are at least eighty.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON'S RESIGNATION.

The Winnipeg Free Press, which is generally understood to be a personal organ, if not the personal property, of Hon. Clifford Sifton, deals somewhat gingerly with that gentleman's retirement from the Dominion Cabinet. It does not think that the differences between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Clifford Sifton are irreconcilable, but it observes that "Mr. Sifton's resignation, so promptly tendered and so sharply insisted upon, indicates an apprehension on his part, however, that the situation is one that calls for serious action." The Free Press thinks that the action taken by Mr. Sifton will add to his popularity and strengthen him in the West, but gives indications, however, that it is not at all in love with Sir Wilfrid's Provincial Autonomy Bill, as, for instance, thus:

"Undoubtedly if the Government is so ill advised as to undertake to put through the educational clause in its present form Mr. Sifton will oppose it to the best of his influence and ability; and in that case he will speak, we think, for a wider area than that of the spacious prairies of Western Canada. But we cannot conceive Sir Wilfrid persisting in urging the educational clause in its present form. It should, and we trust will, be thrown into the melting pot; and it is a question if the rest of the bill should not follow it there as there are some other provisions of the measure that might easily be improved upon a second time."

A CENTENARIAN.

Honorable David Wark, New Brunswick Senator, would probably be the very last man in the world to admit the truth of Dr. Osler's statement about a man's usefulness after the age of forty being gone. The other day this the oldest Parliamentarian in the world, spent his 101st birthday at his home in New Brunswick, where he received the congratulations of members of the Senate, members of Parliament and other friends. He is still in excellent health. He rises at 8 o'clock every morning and goes to bed at 9 p. m., eats three meals a day, shaves himself and personally attends to a good deal of his correspondence.

A MATTER OF GOOD FAITH.

Though good faith should be banished from the rest of the earth, said John H., yet she ought still to be found in the mouth of kings. So also ought it to be found in the mouth of governments and railway magnates. When British Columbia was led to rely upon the word of those in whom it had a right to trust that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway would be built forthwith, from this end, and without a cost of one dollar to the Province, the duty of those responsible for these promises is evident. Perhaps today the greatest objection to bonusing the Grand Trunk Pacific is the absolute bad faith being observed. Whatever objections existed in the first instance to a land bonus as a matter of public policy, they have become insuperably strong as the result of the deception that has been practised upon the people.

"TOTTERING TO ITS FALL."

In the absence of five Conservative members from the House on Monday, the Opposition thought to get a snap vote against the Government on the School Bill. Mr. Hall moved the six months' hoist. Upon a division the motion was defeated by three votes. The imaginative individual who supplies the political fiction for outside papers, will ring the changes upon the dwindling majority and will once more announce with striking originality, that the McBride Government is "tottering to its fall." Assuming that Mr. Houston would have voted with the Government, there would have been a majority of eight had all the supporters of the Government been present. We shall still be seriously told that the McBride administration is kept in power by the two Socialist members. Liberalism nowhere in Canada is looking up just now.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

SUBMITTED AS EXAMPLES.

Sir—In the International number of the Mining Magazine, published last January, there are some unusually interesting articles written by experts, and there are two in particular which ought to be carefully considered by all the members of our legislature.

These articles show the mineral production of two countries, which, like British Columbia, are not yet large factors in the production of copper, and yet have immense possibilities. They also show the methods adopted by the legislatures of those countries to attract capital for their mining industries.

The first article to which I allude is entitled, "Mining in Bolivia," by D. H. Bradley, jr., who tells us at page 43:

"The immense deposits of copper in Bolivia have rendered that branch of the mining industry profitable for many years, with no apparent diminution of the supply. Copper occurs native, as a sulphide, usually carrying gold, and as a carbonate. Bolivia's great copper district begins south of Lake Titicaca, and extends over the vast plateau between the coast and the eastern mountain range. At Corocoro, just south of the lake, extensive mining operations have been in progress for a number of years. Here the veins of native copper are of immense size; though already worked to a depth of more than 1,200 feet, they appear to improve with depth. These veins are well defined and close together; along their length they have been worked for over a mile and can be traced for miles in either direction."

So much for the resources of Bolivia, with respect to copper alone. The policy of the government is thus described by Mr. Bradley:

"The Bolivian government is quite stable and revolutions are of infrequent occurrence. The policy of the country toward foreign investors is extremely liberal, and every assistance is given them in the development of the natural resources. Instead of taxing prospectors to the utmost limit, all mining machinery is allowed to enter free of duty, and only a small tax is imposed on the exportation of tin, copper, gold and silver. The mining laws allow foreigners to hold claims on equal terms with citizens of the country.

Bolivian mines offer immense opportunities for investments paying 25 per cent. premium within three or four years. Careful preliminary investigation should be made, however, and a reasonable degree of patience exercised. In nearly every instance, considerable expenditure must be made before any returns can be looked for. The cost of development, however, is not excessive, for labor is many times cheaper than in this country."

The second article to which I would draw attention is entitled, "Gold and Copper Mining in Peru," by Enrique Laroza. And again I omit the references to gold and silver, and refer only to what is said of copper.

The author says, at page 54: "Important copper deposits occur both in the coast region and in the Sierra. The most important copper districts are Cerro de Pasco, Yauli, and Huarochiri. The first named is the chief producer, and at the present time is attracting the attention of the entire mining world. More than half of the mines of Cerro de Pasco have been acquired by the Cerro de Pasco Mining Company of New York. The company has constructed a railway 85 miles long, and is establishing an immense smelter which will have a daily capacity of 1,000 tons. The work of preparation for operations on a large scale has been in progress for two years. No less than 5,000 tons of copper a month, 60,000 tons a year, will be produced by this company in the near future. This will surpass the combined production of Spain and Portugal, and amount to several times the entire output of Chili. If the production of the rest of the district and also of Yauli and Huraochili be added, Peru will become the second copper producer of the world."

The attitude of the government of Peru towards the mining industry is shown by the following extract:

"The mining code of Peru contains the most liberal laws. According to provisions in effect since 1901, any person, native or foreign, may acquire proprietary rights in Peru. All that is required is a brief petition setting forth the number of claims desired, which may be from one to sixty; the size of a claim is 200 meters long by 100 wide, containing about five acres. Claims covering deposits of coal, gold, platinum and tin are double, that is ten acres. The only duty required is $15 a year, and the law specifies that new duties may not be imposed prior to 1915.

"The importation of every kind of apparatus and machinery for work in mines is exempt of all duty, including machinery and materials used in the construction of railroads."

It may not be amiss to point out that the position of a gold miner is radically different from that of a copper miner.

The former produces an article of fixed value, not liable to be depreciated by any over-production.

The latter produces an article of fluctuating value, the price of which is based upon the ratio of production.

Both are alike in this, that the miner cannot, as in other industries or trades, shift any of his burdens of taxation on to the shoulders of his customers.

This fact alone ought to influence any government strongly against imposing unnecessary burdens upon the mining industry.

Copper being subject to fluctuating values, the element of competition enters largely into the consideration of those who invest in it. On page 26 of the above magazine, a list is given of the largest producing countries in the world as regards the principal metals. The United States is there shown to produce more than half of the copper of the world. South America comes only fourth on the list; Canada is not mentioned at all. We are just commencing business, so to speak. Now bearing in mind the strictly commercial nature of our copper business, what policy ought we to follow in our efforts to compete with others who have already an established business? Is it sound policy to make our goods as expensive as possible by increasing the cost of their production? Surely not. Yet that is the policy which has been adopted by our legislature for the last eight years. And with what results? The mining industry has been crushed, almost to death. But there is something more which stares us in the face. Other countries, under wiser rule, make their laws just to the mine owner and also as liberal as possible to foreign capitalists.

Such countries not only attract mine owners and capitalists, who recognize that they are given at least a chance of operating at a profit, but they naturally attract the best working miners.

We have, by our unwise legislative restrictions, rendered it almost impossible to mine at a profit, and we have driven out nearly all the prospectors who swarmed over our mountains eight years ago. We have also lost hundreds of good miners who have been compelled to leave our country by the closing down of mine after mine. And finally we have effectually discouraged the capitalist from sinking any more money in our mines.

But we need not despair. We still have our magnificent mineral lands almost untouched.

Let us imitate the sensible tactics of Bolivia and Peru, and throw open our mineral lands on liberal terms, and I do not doubt our mining industry will soon advance by leaps and bounds.

A. C. GALT.

Rossland, March 3, 1905.

BIG PROVINCES.

Hamilton Spectator.

Some people are expressing the opinion that the proposed new provinces in the West are too large—that their areas are too vast. We do not think so. One of the bad things about the Confederation agreement is that many of the provinces are too small. To provide a full set of government machinery for a little blotch on the map, like Prince Edward Island, is giving the people too much government. And there are other provinces which are entirely too small. All the territory east of Quebec would make a province none too large.

Under the present system we have much, too much, government, and the government will do well if it gives the new provinces plenty of room. It may be that, at some time along distance in the future, the provinces of the Dominion will consent to a redistribution, which will in some degree equalize the provinces; but it is ever so much easier to do these things at the beginning, and the Spectator holds up its hand for big provinces in the West.

HON. DR. MONTAGUE IN MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids Chronicle.

American orators must take off their hats to Mr. Montague, the distinguished Canadian, who plowed through snow banks and slept in them, in order to be present at the Lincoln club banquet Tuesday evening. His speech was one of the most eloquent and magnificently beautiful of any delivered before a Grand Rapids audience. He was in the hearts of his audience before he had spoken a half dozen sentences, and at the close of his remarks the burst of applause came with an earnestness that told most forcibly how well he had impressed his hearers. His tribute to home and home ties was tender and sympathetic and his words sank deep into the hearts of his listeners as did his tribute to the grey-haired Fremont voters present, the men who blazed the trail which led to the present greatness of the Republican party, while his loyalty to his home province and to the mother crown was so beautifully expressed as to excite the warmest admiration for the speaker. In speaking of annexation, when he declared it would never be, that Canada was British, the vast audience, which perhaps to a man favored a union of Canada with the United States, was compelled to admire the boldness of the utterance and the reasons which had been given for the sentiments. Mr. Montague is a pleasant speaker, he knows how to tell a story, of which he has a rich fund, while he drives home his points with such sledge hammer blows of rhetoric and oratory as to make them stick. Hereafter all measurements and comparisons of public speakers before the Lincoln club will be made by the Montague scale.

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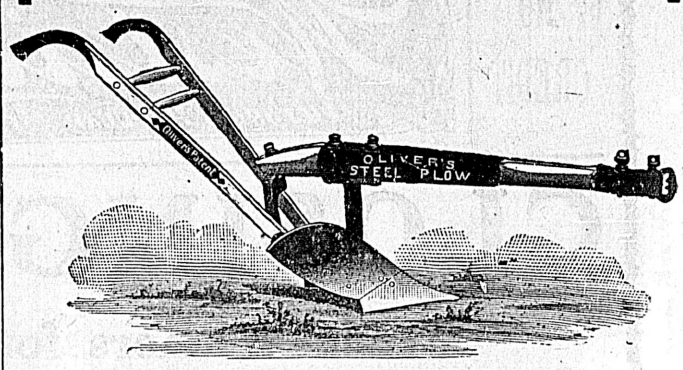

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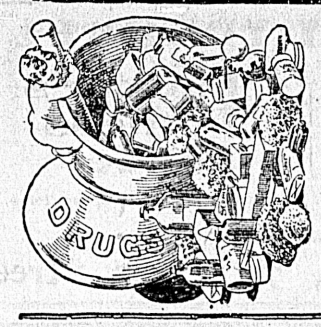

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Licensing Commissioners.—A sitting of the board of licensing commissioners will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Police court room at the City hall.

Fernwood Association.—The Fernwood Municipal Association will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the Athletic hall. A cordial invitation is extended to all residents of the community.

School Board.—This evening at 8 o'clock at the City hall, the regular monthly meeting of the school board will be held. It is likely to prove a lively one, as a discussion will take place on teachers' salaries.

Young People's Guild.—The Young People's Guild of St. Andrew's church will hold a meeting tonight in the lecture room to discuss the sacramental cup—communion and individual. The meeting is open for discussion a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Lecture to Women.—Mrs. Irene Smith will address the women of Victoria in A. O. U. W. hall, No. 2 (upstairs), on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Subject, "Woman's Position and Socialism." All are invited, men included. A collection will be taken.

Annual Dinner.—The annual dinner of No. 4 Co., Fifth Regiment, C. A., will be given at the Windsor restaurant tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Lieut.-Colonel J. A. Hall, Major Hibben, Adjutant McConnan, Chaplain Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, Dr. E. C. Hart, Sergeant-Major MacDougal and Master Gunner Mulcahy are the guests of the company. Captain Winsby will preside at what promises to be a most enjoyable evening.

Board of Trade.—Tomorrow evening at the rooms, Bastion Square, the monthly general meeting of the board of trade will be held for the transaction of the following business: Various matters referred by the council; port charges, report of committee on trade, commerce and transportation in regard to pilotage; Island railway, report of committee on railways re extension of E. & N. railway to north end of the Island. Mr. F. W. Morse, first vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk railway, has accepted an invitation to attend the meeting, contingent upon being in the city at that time.

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Shrove Tuesday — Yesterday was Shrove Tuesday, the day preceding Ash Wednesday, or the first day of Lent. It was so called as the day on which shrift or confession was made.

French Lecturer—Further particulars are at hand regarding the remarkably successful career of M. Funck-Brentano, who is to lecture here under the auspices of L'Alliance Francaise next Monday evening. Under the auspices of the city of Paris, M. Funck-Brentano has just published a complete list of the prisoners of La Bastille, with an extensive introduction devoted to the study of the Lettres de Cachet. From the information contained in the records of the Bastille, of which he now has the charge at the Arsenal Library, the author has also taken his books—Drame des Poisons a la Cour de Louis XVI; the story of the Collier de la Reine Marie-Antoinette, followed by a study of the prosecution of that unfortunate princess, La Mort de la Reine.

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IN THE COURTS.

The civil assizes opened yesterday morning, Mr. Justice Martin presiding. Both morning and afternoon sessions were taken up with the hearing of Gamble and O'Reilly vs. Spencer. Six hundred dollars is claimed by the plaintiffs for certain surveying work performed by them at Nelson, on instruction from the defendant, who is a lady real estate agent residing at Vancouver. The plaintiffs allege that after receiving a certain amount in payment of their services, the defendant declined to pay a further sum on the ground that she was not liable. In the afternoon the defendant was examined, but the case was not concluded. Messrs. Moresby and O'Reilly are appearing for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Russell, of Vancouver, for the defendant.

In Chambers before Mr. Justice Duff, on the application of Mr. Jay, an order was made for the probate of the will of J. H. Meldram, deceased. His sons are named as executors of the estate.

CHANGED HIS MIND.

Drunk Decides to Appeal to U. S. Ambassador, but Alters His Plans.

One Newman was drunk, and the police found him, noisy, on Cormorant street. He spent Sunday night at the lock-up, and Monday morning a friend came and left bail. This was estreated and the prisoner left.

Next morning he came back; he didn't want anyone to pay bail for him; he wasn't drunk anyway, and he'd appeal to the United States ambassador. He was a citizen of the United States, of God's country, that's what, and any British court that—but he seemingly thought different later.

He had asked that his case be reopened, and it was. It was arranged that he should be tried for being found drunk yesterday morning. But when he looked in at the door and saw a crowd assembled, he thought better of it.

His name was called three times—and in the book the legend is written: "Failed to appear."

The halfbreed woman who pleaded that she had taken liquor for medicinal purposes when she was charged with drunkenness, decided yesterday that she was guilty, and so plead. She was fined five dollars.

TODAY'S DOCKET HEAVY.

Chinese Perjury Case, in Which Crown Intervened, Set for Today.

The case preferred against Wong Ah Lum and Gin Duck, Chinese, for perjury, will be resumed in the Police court this morning, when, it is expected, the magistrate will render his decision in regard to the procedure with the case. As reported, Mr. George Powell, who appears for the private parties, Chinese, who are launching the prosecution, has objected to the intervention of the attorney-general, Hon. Charles Wilson, who has intervened to investigate the case, to discover if the many prosecutions for perjury are bona fide or are being taken to vent the personal vengeance of one Chinese faction against another. Mr. Powell objected strenuously at each of the previous hearings of the case against intervention by the Crown, and the Crown officers took a strong contra opinion. Mr. Powell quoted many authorities, which the magistrate intended to look up.

The sentences will be given to the till snatchers, Wallace and Wilson, who pleaded guilty to stealing the till of the Victoria hotel, this afternoon; and the case of William J. Tole, billiard expert and alleged accomplice of the two till snatchers, will be tried. He is known to have been with the men while they watched for an opportunity to steal the till. Tole pleaded not guilty, and was remanded until this afternoon. The case of Sydney Goodwin, charged with breaking into and entering the tea store of Hallam & Wyndham, is also set for today.

Tuesday Club—At yesterday's meeting of the Tuesday Club a very interesting session was held, "The Brownings" being the subject of an exceptionally clever paper and subsequent discussion.

Going To Ottawa—His Worship Mayor Barnard leaves this evening for Ottawa on private business. He will probably be absent five or six weeks. During his absence, Ald. Goodacre, as senior member of the aldermanic board, will act as chairman of the council. Ald. Goodacre is well versed in the rules of parliamentary procedure, and with his long civic record will have no difficulty in transacting municipal affairs during His Worship's absence. Ald. Goodacre is chairman of the finance committee.

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OBITUARY.

At her residence, 92 Bay street, there passed away yesterday Margaret Barnard, widow of the late George A. Sargison, at the age of 74 years. Heart failure was the immediate cause of death. Deceased was a native of Quebec, and, together with her husband and family, came to Victoria in 1873. Mrs. Sargison was one of the original organizers of the Protestant Orphans' Home of this city, and from its inception took an active interest in the institution until increasing infirmity within the past two years compelled her to relinquish the work. Six sons and two daughters survive. The funeral is announced for Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, Bay street, and half an hour later from the Metropolitan Methodist church.

Charles McDonald passed away at St. Joseph's hospital on Saturday evening. The deceased, who had been an invalid for some time, was 72 years of age and a native of Nova Scotia. The funeral will take place this morning at 9:45 o'clock from Hayward's undertaking parlors, and later from the Roman Catholic cathedral.

The Derry (Ireland) Standard, in its issue of Feb. 13, contains the following notice of the death of Mr. Edward McNeilage, C. E., who at one time resided in Victoria. Deceased was a brother of Mrs. Davis, 63 Mears street:

We regret to record the death yesterday at his residence, Castle avenue, Buncrana, of Mr. Edward McNeilage, Civil Engineer. The deceased, who was widely known and highly respected, had been in failing health for a considerable period, and had retired from business. He had lived at Buncrana for several years, and there he passed peacefully away yesterday afternoon. The deceased was a native of Scotland, and had been connected with the city for the greater part of his life time of seventy-six years. His father came to the city from Scotland and was appointed landscape gardener in connection with Gwyn's Institution, being also engaged in laying out the city cemetery. The deceased was in early youth connected with the ordnance survey and did a good deal of work in County Tyrone. For many years he was assistant to the late Mr. Frazer, county surveyor of Donegal, but in the early sixties he resigned that position and became assistant to Mr. Collins, who was then city engineer of Londonderry. Mr. McNeilage in that capacity made a survey of the city previous to the present ordnance survey, and drew many of the maps. When he left Mr. Collins' department he took up private practice as surveyor and valuator and did an extensive and lucrative business. He was retained by the Lough Swilly Railway Co. as consulting engineer. He made the valuation of the lands for the railway between Buncrana and Carndonagh and also most of the land for the Burtonport line. The deceased was of a retiring disposition and had many warm friends who will learn with regret of his death. He was predeceased by his wife many years ago, and leaves no family. He possessed considerable property in the city.

Wins The Raffle—The brooch raffled by Mrs. Ross Munro was won by Mrs. J. F. N. Simpson.

Stole From Milkman—Young Wilsey, a boy who has been in trouble before, was arrested last night on the complaint of Mr. McRae, milkman, who alleges that the boy stole $6.50 from his premises.

Services at Cathedral—Services will be held at Christ church cathedral today (Ash Wednesday) as follows: At 8:30 a. m., Holy Communion; at 11 a. m., Morning Prayer; at 7:30 p. m., Evensong, with address.

Getting The Light—Residents of Gordon Head are looking forward hopefully to the prospect of getting telephone communication with the city. They have already made overtures to the company which have met with a very favorable response and the outlook is that within a short time the service will be installed.

Head Pupils For February—The following were the head pupils of South Park school for February: First division, Maude McB. Smith; second, Gladys Evelyn Spencer; third, Teresa J. C. Mesher; fourth, Dorothy Woodward; fifth, John Gordon McKay; sixth, John J. Rose; seventh, Allan J. Dorman; and eighth, Freda Mary Watt.

Slight Improvement—Dr. George M. Duncan, the well known physician who is suffering from concussion of the brain as a result of a fall from his buggy during a runaway accident on Sunday, was reported to be slightly improved last night, though so far there has not been much change in his condition. He is conscious at times.

Scottish Social—At the First Congregational church last evening a genuine Scottish social was given under the auspices of the choir, the attendant audience much enjoying the excellent programme of Scottish music provided, with an intermission in which refreshments, also suggestive of the land of the heather, were served by the ladies of the congregation.

Pancake Social—At "Hermosa," the charming residence of Mr. Wollaston on Menzies street, an enjoyable social in aid of St. James' church was held last evening, the entertainment being announced in honor of Shrove Tuesday as "a pancake social," and all the ladies appearing in character costume. Music, games and choice refreshments were factors in the pleasurable entertainment of those attending.

Children's Ward—The ladies' auxiliary of the Jubilee hospital yesterday afternoon met the board of directors of that institution at the board of trade rooms and conferred respecting the establishment of a children's ward. A promise was made four years ago that the ward would be established whenever funds were available, and the ladies' yesterday reminded the directors of their promise. As an outcome of the discussion a committee was appointed to prepare estimates for the proposed undertaking.

Gussie La More Is Dead—News has been received in Victoria of the sudden death at Missoula, Mont., of Gussie La More, well known as a vaudeville performer in this city, Vancouver and the north country. As the first of the Klondike wives of William Gates, better known to fame as "Swiftwater Bill," the deceased vaudevillist was a figure in all the newspapers of America, which gleefully chronicled the egg episode at Dawson in the early days, when eggs were quoted at $1 each and the adoring Gates corralled all upon the market in order that the appetite of the fair charmer might be fully satisfied.

A Rural Dance—On Thursday evening, March 2, the Comox hall was the scene of one of the most enjoyable and successful events in Comox. The entertainment opened with a fine programme consisting of vocal and instrumental music, and concluded with a farce entitled "Chisselling." The hall was crowded to excess with people attending from Cumberland, Courtenay and the surrounding districts. The talent was all local and was pronounced by parties from Victoria, who happened to be present, to be equal in every particular to any of more pretentious affairs of the kind held in the capital. Much credit is due the Misses McDonald and others interested in getting the concert up. At the conclusion the floor was cleared and the merry party enjoyed themselves in the mazy whirl until well on into the wee sma' 'oors, when the party broke up, all well pleased with the night's entertainment.

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Returned—Mr. A. B. Shakespeare, the Government street jeweler, has just returned from the east after completing a special course in optics, including Retinasophy opthalmtry. Mr. Shakespeare has ordered one of the most modern and up-to-date outfits to be had in the east, which he expects to hand in course of a few weeks, when he promises to be able to cater to the needs of the public of the western province in a manner equal in every particular to any of the older eastern establishments in his line. *

Happily Wedded—At their residence, Superior street, Mr. Andrew Thom and Miss Kathleen Clara Wilson were united in the bonds of wedlock. Besides the Rev. Dr. Campbell, who performed the ceremonies, there were but a select few of the most intimate friends of the contracting parties present. *

Lost—The finder of a hand-made collar, lost either at Victoria theatre, or on way to Esquimalt car, night of "Silver Slipper" performance, about two weeks ago, is urgently requested to return same to Colonist office. The owner (a little girl) prizes the article as a gift of a dear friend. *

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Annual Meeting Friendly Help

Satisfactory Reports Presented at Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon.

Organization In Good Shape and Fine Outlook For the Season.

The annual meeting of the Friendly Help Association was held at the city hall yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Day presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. William Grant.

The president's address was as follows:

Dear Friends—We are met together to celebrate the tenth anniversary of our Friendly Help Association—ten years in which much good has been accomplished and many hearts have been cheered and burdens lightened; ten years of peace and good will among the workers, in which they have striven faithfully to relieve all cases of distress brought to their notice.

Of course we have made mistakes; who has not? And we have heard plenty of criticism. Some say that we are making paupers by helping people who are unworthy; others say that they would not belong to such a society, as we are hard-hearted. One of our hardest problems is to know what to do with chronic cases and men who are always out of work. It is hard to let women and children suffer, and yet you cannot feed them without feeding the men. I do not refer to men who are out of work occasionally, through no fault of their own, and to whom we are always willing to extend a helping hand, but to the men who, through drink or laziness, are continually out of work.

I think that there should be some place to put such, where they would have to work and support their families. You will see by the treasurer's report that we have practically the same balance on hand that we had at the beginning of the year, and our expenses have been about $50 more. This was caused principally by the fire last summer, when a large number of families were assisted.

We sustained a great loss during the year when our president, Miss Perrin, was obliged to leave us. But although the workers drop out, and their loss is severely felt, still the good work goes on, and we are convinced that it will continue to do so, as long as the work is necessary. We are thankful to say that we have our faithful treasurer still with us. She has held this office during the whole ten years, and few know how much work it involves. It is not only paying the bills and keeping the accounts, but all applications for help are made to her through the district visitors, and besides this, the calls on her time and patience are innumerable. The appeal at Christmas was generously responded to, and over one hundred families were assisted with clothing, groceries, meat, etc.

The school children's assistance was greatly appreciated, as they brought such a varied assortment of useful articles, that we could not have secured elsewhere, and many children in poor homes were delighted with gifts of dolls, books, etc, from them.

In looking over the past year we thank God for what He has enabled us to do, and we pray for His continued blessing on the work. Our grateful thanks are also extended to all of our friends, who have so generously assisted in the past, and we again solicit their help for the coming year.

At the present time we are badly in need of clothing and furniture, crockeryware, etc., and, in fact, anything that is useful in the home we can make good use of, and will be gratefully received.

HELEN M. GRANT,
First Vice-President.

The recording secretary's report and the financial statement follow:

Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In presenting to you our tenth annual report we have to thank the Giver of all Good for His continued care and guidance in the past, in giving health and strength to our workers and raising up new workers to carry on the work.

As our name suggests, the work of the Friendly Help is carried on by volunteer workers. Our rooms are kept open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 11 to 12 a. m., attended by different ladies of the association, consequently all donations are given direct to the poor, and nothing spent on administration.

He have to report, with deep regret, the resignation, owing to her return to England, of our president, Miss Perrin, in June last, who has been indefatigable in the work since its inception, one who has endeared herself to all her fellow-workers, who was always at her post ready and willing to assist one and all in carrying on any good work; a leader in every sense of the word. We miss her energetic presence, but we know and feel that she still takes an untiring interest in the work.

Our first vice-president, Mrs. Wm. Grant, has since filled the president's chair with satisfaction to all, the work going on under her direction with efficiency and despatch.

The regular monthly meetings of the society have been held as usual, the district visitors reporting any needy cases that they have found in their round of visits, or have been otherwise brought to their notice.

Three hundred and eighty-nine applicants have been assisted during the year, 152 with groceries, 175 with clothing, 6 with milk daily and 66 with fuel, besides several with household furnishings, and many with meat, through the generosity of Messrs. Porter & Sons, that are not reported on our lists.

We have expended $900.15 this year, a small advance on last year, but the yearly donations are not as large as we could desire, as to meet this expenditure we have had to draw largely on the legacy left us by the late Mr. Brackman.

The Christmas donations were under the able direction of Mrs. McMicking, assisted by Mrs. Gould and the members of the association. More than 100 families were well supplied with Christmas groceries, roast beef, new clothing, and in some cases toys and books. The generous donations of the children of our city schools helped very materially to fill these boxes. The thanks of the association are extended to the schools and the kind friends who had their donations sent to the rooms free of charge, to the press for notices and reports of meetings, etc., to the Home nursing Society for sending their trained nurse to assist those in need so promptly, to the city and subscribers old and new for generous subscriptions, and to all those who have so kindly contributed clothing, both old and new, as well as household furnishings; to Mrs. Baker, our first president, for kindly greetings and a calendar to remind us daily of her thought for us in our work.

We are pleased to welcome during the Miss Blackwood ESC THMH ESCS ESC year Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Clarence Cox, Miss Blackwood and Mrs. Cooper, new workers for the society. We are much indebted to our treasurer, Miss M. R. Lawson, for the efficient way in which the work has been carried on. She "never wearies in well doing" where the work of the Friendly Help is concerned. May she long be blessed with health and strength to carry on the good work she has so nobly done during the last ten years.

E. R. McGREGOR,
Rec. Sec'y.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand 1st March, 1904	$ 7 20	
Cash, corporation of Victoria	500 00	
Cash, part legacy estate H. Brackman	114 80	
Cash, interest Savings Bank, H. Brackman	4 50	
Cash for goods sold	6 75	
		$633 25
Cards.		
Cash per Miss M. R. Lawson	13 30	
Cash per Mrs. Gill	9 50	
Cash per Miss B. Williscroft	7 40	
Cash per Miss E. Andrews	7 20	
Cash per Mr. McNaughton	1 00	
		38 40
Donations.		
Messrs. Hiram Walker & Co.	20 00	
Mr. C. F. Todd	47 00	
W. F. P.	17 00	
The Hon. Mr. Justice Drake	15 00	
The Hon. Senator Macdonald	10 00	
Mr. W. Grant	10 00	
Mr. J. Dunsmuir	10 00	
A. J. C. Galletly	10 00	
Messrs. R. Ward & Co.	5 00	
U. Z. Parsenou	5 00	
Mrs. Gould	5 00	
Mr. McTavish	5 00	
His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia	5 00	
Mr. Pearse	5 00	
Mr. Cooper	5 00	
T. S. Gore	5 00	
Mrs. Thornton Fell	5 00	
Miss Newcombe	5 00	
The late W. Denny	5 00	
Miss Crease	3 00	
Mrs. Heisterman	3 00	
Mrs. Scott	3 00	
Mrs. Gillespie	2 50	
Mrs. H. Kent	2 50	
Mrs. Smith	2 00	
Albert and Miriam Smith	2 00	
Mrs. M. E. Moore	2 00	
Mrs. M. B. Sargison	2 00	
Mrs. Solly	1 50	
A Friend	1 00	
Mrs. Hall	1 00	
Mrs. Pierce	1 00	
Mrs. Gaudin	1 00	
Mrs G. Powell	1 00	
Mrs. Elworthy	1 00	
Mrs. Rykert	1 00	
Mrs. MacRae	1 00	
A Friend	1 00	
Mrs. E. Mossham	1 00	
Boys' School	3 00	
Kingston Street School	2 00	
Girls' School	1 50	
High School	1 00	
Spring Ridge School	60	
Mrs. Durich	25	
		235 85
Total		$997 50

EXPENDITURES.

Cash, clothing	$ 3 25	
Cash, fuel	208 90	
Cash, groceries	540 70	
Cash, meat	27 35	
Cash, milk	102 50	
Cash, stationery	1 55	
Cash, postage	1 15	
Cash, ticket to Vancouver	2 50	
Cash, express hire	10 25	
Cash, cleaning room	2 00	
		$990 15
Balance on hand 1st March, 1905		7 35
		$997 50

MARY R. LAWSON,
Hon. Treas. F. H. A.

Certified correct—C. L. Kent.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Perrin; vice-presidents, Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Williscroft, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. McDonell, and Miss Carr; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Miss M. A. Lawson; recording secretary, Mrs. W. H. Wood.

The meeting then adjourned.

Illegal Fishing at Shawnigan.

Although the fishing season for trout will not open until the 25th, a number of fine strings are already reported as having been taken at Shawnigan lake—and there are no indications that prosecutions will be instituted to declare the authority of the provincial act in this connection. Some at least of the fishermen are under the impression that it is beyond the power of the provincial authorities to enact a law dealing with fishery matters in the manner of the act. The same view would seem to prevail with certain of the officials of the Dominion fisheries department, and it would be in order for a test to be made in order that the public may know just how matters stand. With an early spring, lovers of fly fishing look for excellent sport during the approaching season.

"THE DECOY DUCK."

Good Performance Given in Local Play by Victoria Amateurs.

At St. John's school last night a large and enthusiastic audience witnessed the production of Miss Grahame's play, "The Decoy Duck," the scenes of which are laid in Victoria. The audience applauded heartily, and at the close called for the authoress, who was presented with bouquets. Before the play a short programme was rendered, to which numbers were contributed by Mrs. Harris, the Misses G. and D. Sehl, Miss W. Lugrin and an orchestra under Mr. Bowen. The performers who took part in the play all accredited themselves. The cast was as follows:

Mrs. Burnaby, a match-making widow ..... Miss Sorby
Miss Lucie Moore, her companion ..... Miss Ard
Marie, Mrs. Burnaby's French maid ..... Miss F. Devereux
Mrs. Harry Forbes .... Miss L. Lugrin
Mr. Harry Forbes ..... Mr. B. Tye
Hon. Arthur Craven, just out from home ..... Mr. Punnett
Spencer, his valet ..... Mr. W. Ard

The Autonomy Act.—At a meeting of the Orange lodge on Monday night resolutions were passed calling upon George Riley, M. P., to oppose the educational clause of the autonomy bill as it was then understood. It was also decided to continue the circulation of the petition praying that freedom of action in school matters be accorded the new provinces, among members of the local House. A special committee was appointed to wait upon members of the opposition today in relation to this matter, they having, it seems, failed to sign the petition when last presented.

SUMMING UP

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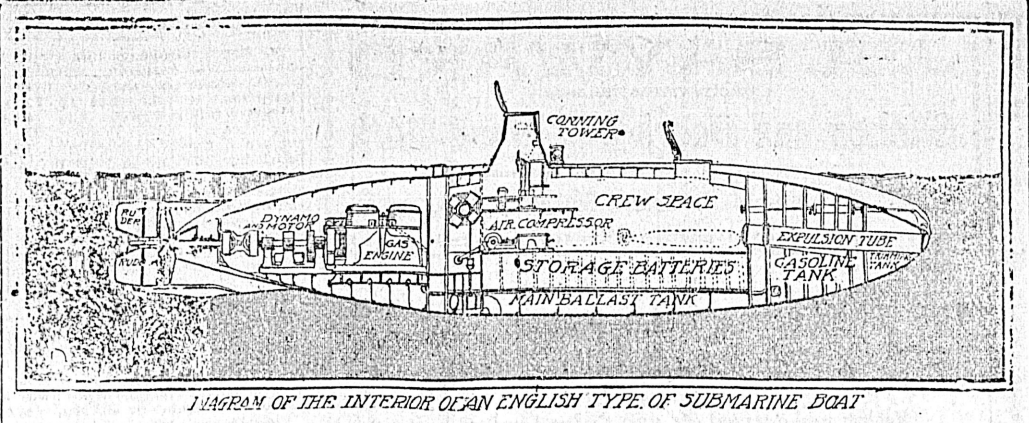

DIAGRAM OF THE INTERIOR OF AN ENGLISH TYPE OF SUBMARINE BOAT

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Victoria District Football Association was held in the Y. M. C. A. hall Monday night. The chair was taken by President W. W. Bolton, and delegates were present from the following clubs: Garrison, Victoria United, Victoria West, North Ward, St. Louis College and the Capitals. Major Bland, R. E., was also present.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and adopted, after which the following amendments to the constitution, proposed by Rev. W. W. Bolton, were passed:

Amend (4) by adding: "none of whom shall possess voting power, except the president, in the case of a tie vote of the members."

Amend (1) to read: "The league shall be called The Victoria District Football Association."

Amend (4B) to read: "and one member from each senior club. A representative from each intermediate and junior club shall have a seat on the committee, but shall not have power to vote on matters other than those directly affecting intermediate and junior matters, respectively."

Add to cup rules 16A (page 69): "In case of a team not turning up" on the appointed grounds within a reasonable time, the opposing team shall by the order of the official referee line up and kick a goal, thus giving the two points, constituting a win for that team.

24. "Notice" to whom Add proper statement. To the secretary of each club in the Victoria District Football Association.

The following amendment, proposed by W. Lorimer, was also passed:

20B. "And if a protest handed in by a club is not upheld, the fee accompanying same shall be forfeited to the association."

The secretary's report was then read, as follows:

I think you will all agree with me when I say that the season just concluded of the Victoria District Football Association has been the most successful in every way since the organization of the association, since the organization of the association; not only have the games been more closely contested than those of past seasons, but what is of more importance, after paying for the championship medals and inscription on cups for the winning teams, there is still a small balance in the treasury. Although the number of teams entered in the senior grade remained the same as last season, in both the intermediate and junior there was an increase of one team. The Garrison, as I expect you all know, were again the winners in the senior grade, this making the fourth year in succession. Although only the first season, as far as the present cup is concerned, the trophy now being competed for having been presented by them to the association after last season's cup thus remaining in their possession permanently. In the senior grade the Garrison secured twelve points out of a possible sixteen, playing eight, out of which five were won, two drawn and losing only one through the whole schedule. The Victoria United were second, being four points behind the winners. Victoria West were third and deserving great credit for the plucky manner in which they played throughout the season, after receiving so many defeats, this being their first year in this grade. Of the intermediates, Victoria West were once more successful, capturing the cup for the third time, thus giving them the privilege of retaining the trophy for good. Another cup will necessarily have to be put up for competition next season. The Victoria West scored eight points out of a possible ten, winning all games with the exception of one. The Capitals were second in this grade, being only two points behind Victoria West, the Victorias coming third. In the junior grade, North Ward were the victors, making the record of fifteen points out of a possible sixteen, winning all games, except one, which was a draw. The Capitals were second in the junior grade, High school third, Victoria West fourth and St. Louis College fifth.

Since the season commenced we have been able to alter and improve the constitution of the association, where it was thought an alteration or improvement could be made, Mr. Bolton, our president, being responsible for most of the improvements which have taken place. I think great credit is due to the members of this association, more especially to the president, for introducing the scheme of bringing out an English football team to Canada, considerable correspondence having been passed between Mr. Bolton and the secretary of the football association of England, and in all probability next year we will have the famous Corinthians playing us in our own city. The scheme assumed such proportions that it was thought advisable by the association to have the matter handed over to the British Columbia Football League, who have assumed the management and furthering of all arrangements, of which we will know more later on. In conclusion, I would like to say a few words in praise of the energetic way in which Mr. Bolton, our president, has cast his lot in with the association. Sometimes we have had to meet twice in the course of a single week, and it is mainly due to the tact and foresight of our president that the association is on such a sound footing.

THOS. G. WILSON,
Sec. V. D. F. ASSN.

The treasurer's report showed that the receipts amounted to $70.40, of which entrance fees accounted for $57.50. The balance in hand is $7.20.

A vote of thanks was then passed to the retiring president and secretary, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. president, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere (re-elected); vice-presidents, Major Bland (re-elected), J. H. Rickaby; president, Rev. W. W. Bolton (re-elected); vice-president, Dr. Gibbs; secretary-treasurer, T. G. Wilson (re-elected).

The president was instructed to thank the Y. M. C. A. for the use of their rooms. Major Bland then presented the cups to the winning teams, making appropriate speeches.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the referees for the splendid work they have done during the season, and Major Bland also received a vote of thanks for his kindness in presenting the cups.

It was announced that Victoria West will supply a cup for the intermediate city league to replace the one which was won outright by the Victoria West intermediates.

The meeting then adjourned.

A Final Effort.

Victoria United will make a final effort to defeat the Garrison next Saturday. If the civilians lose, they will be out of the running for the championship. Goward and S. Lorimer will play full back, while the half backs will be W. Lorimer, C. S. Thompson and J. Johnson. The other positions are not yet filled. The Garrison team will be the same one that proved victorious last Saturday. The grounds will be roped in by the soldiers, and a record crowd is expected. Victoria United held a practice at Oak Bay yesterday afternoon, and the good work will be continued during the week.

The Game in England.

In the first round series of the English cup competition, 442,298 people paid admission at the various games, which netted the total of $71,615. Who says soccer football is not popular? This breaks all previous records. Seventeen games were played.

HOCKEY.

Future Matches.

All players are urgently requested to turn out to practice next Saturday at 3 o'clock, to get in shape for the two games that in all probability will be played on the 18th at Oak Bay. They will be Victoria H. vs. Nanaimo, and Victoria senior vs. R. G. A. (postponed game.) Why don't the Nanaimo ladies challenge the Victoria senior ladies? (the present ladies' champion hockey team). Judging the play of both teams, it would be anybody's game. On account of the big Association football match next Saturday at Oak Bay, all hockey members turning out to practice must have passes, and these can be secured from the secretary-treasurer, Henry G. Dalby, otherwise they will be charged admittance.

On account of the Victoria High school defaulting the deciding game with the intermediates last Saturday, arrangements will not be made for another game this season.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

School League Game.

The South Park and Collegiate Rugby teams will line up at Beacon Hill this afternoon in a league game.

Intermediates vs. Juniors.

The Nanaimo intermediates are anxious to play the Victoria juniors, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made a game will take place in the near future.

THE RING.

A Challenge.

The following challenge has been received from Sergt. Griffith, R. A., on behalf of J. McKinly Ewing, R. G. A.:

"Gunner J. McKinly Ewing, R. G. A., wishes to meet James Addison or McAlur is, a 20-round contest at Work Point; weight 130 pounds. Addison preferred.

GOSSIP OF GIDDY GOTHAM

Latest Events in the Theatres of Metropolis—Nancy Sykes on New Productions.

New York, Feb. 23.—"The Education of Mr. Pipp," a new comedy by Augustus Thomas, was made known at the Liberty Theatre Monday night in the presence of a large audience. It is an adaptation of Charles Dana Gibson's satire, and a good one. The piece, which is in three acts, follows closely the pictures, and shows the career of an American woman who seeks titled young men for her daughters. It teaches the lesson that American men and English noblemen make better husbands than the unscrupulous adventurers of title from the continent. Mr. Thomas has turned out an interesting comedy, in many respects much better than "Mrs. Leffingwell's Boots," now on view at the Lyceum Theatre. "Mr. Pipp" is handsomely staged, and admirably acted by Dingby Bell, as "Mr. Pipp," Kate Denin Wilson as "Mrs Pipp," Fred Courtney as "Lord Herbert," and Jennie Eustace as "Lady Viola." The performance was cordially received on the opening night, and if much applause and almost continuous laughter means anything then it is a success. . . . . Forbes Robertson, the English actor, has followed E. S. Willard at the Knickerbocker Theatre, where he is appearing in "Love and the Man" to audiences excellent in size and quality. H. V. Esmond has furnished an excellent vehicle in which to exploit the splendid talent of this actor, and an entertainment that is worth while. There is a good, consistent story capitally told, and scarcely a dull moment from the first scene of the final curtain. Roberts is O. K.; so is his play

Tuesday night Grace George started an engagement at the Savoy, presenting her new play "Abigail." The piece was specially written for Miss George and the title role fits her personality remarkably well. Manager W. A. Brady has given it an adequate equipment of scenery and a good cast. Another of Mr. Brady's numerous stars, Wright Lorimer, is at the New York Theatre in "The Shepherd King," which ran for several weeks last season at the Knickerbocker. The play is now called "A Roman Drama," but for what reason it is hard to understand. Lorimer is an ambitious young man, who seems to have almost unlimited money—and is spending it.

The continued attractions are: Maude Adams at the Empire, Robert Edeson at the Hudson, Francis Wilson at the Criterion, Arnold Daly at the Garrick, "Mrs. Leffingwell's Boots" at the Lyceum, "The Duchess of Dantzic" at Daly's "Humpty Dumpty," at the New Amsterdam, "Mrs. Temple's Telegram" at the Madison Square, Fritzi Scheff at the Broadway, Jefferson de Angelis at the Lyric, Raymond Hitchcock at Wallack's, "The College Widow" at the Garden, Henrietta Crosman at the Academy, David Warfield at the Bijou, Mrs. Leslie Carter at Belasco's, Mrs. Fiske at the Manhattan, and Blanche Walsh at the Herald Square.

At the latter house Miss Walsh continues to do a phenomenal business. Several weeks ago she appeared in Chicago in "The Kreutzer Sonata" with very great success, but Wagenhals and Kemper were under contract to Clyde Fitch to produce "The Woman in the Case" on or before February 1. So the former play had to be withdrawn. In order to protect themselves against a possible failure of the Fitch dram the company appearing in "The Sonata" was held intact until last week, when the success of "The Woman in the Case" became so pronounced that that organization was disbanded. Wagenhals and Kemper are arranging to rent a Broadway theatre for all of next season, and if the negotiations are completed will organize a permanent stock company with Miss Walsh at its head, producing new plays exclusively.

"Who Goes There?" A new farce by H. A. Du Souchet, the author of "My Friend From India," was produced at the Princess Theatre Monday night, with Walter Perkins as the star. The piece was well received and should have a more or less prosperous run. It is so cleverly acted, and calculated to please the jaded theatregoer. Walter is a good little boy and deserves to succeed. May he be well—then he can buy wine instead of mineral water.

Work has been started on the rebuilding of the Casino, which was recently damaged by fire. The auditorium and stage, which has always been on the second floor, will be brought down to the street level, with a handsome entrance and foyer on Broadway. It will be practically a new theatre with every modern improvement for the convenience and comfort of an audience. At least fifty thousand dollars will be spent in remodeling the house. It will continue under the management of Sam and Lee Shubert, who have a long lease of the premises. These changes will take four or five months to complete.

"Nobody's Darling" is the title of a melodrama now on view at the Fourteenth Street Theatre. The piece was writted Hal Reid, and tells of the struggles and trials of Ella, a waif, who is working in a cordage factory over in Brooklyn. She is known as "nobody's darling." The big scene shows the huge machinery of a cordage factory in motion. A "bad man" tries to kill a woman by throwing her into the fast-revolving machinery—but the waif saves her life, and in the end discovers that she is her long lost mother. The part of Ella, the waif, is taken by Daisy Stape, a clever child actress. Included in the cast is Helen Collier, a sister of Willie Collier. The drama is a rip-roaring concoction after the style of Theodore Kramer's most frenzied outputs—and it will make money too.

Here is some gossip of theatre-alley; "When We Dead Awaken," Ibsen's latest play, is to have its first performance in this country March 7, at the Knickerbocker Theatre under the management of Maurice Campbell, the husband of Henrietta Crosman. The cast will include Dorothy Donnelly, Frank Losee, Florence Kahn and Frederick Lewis. If the piece is a success other cities will see it later in the season. Virginia Harned has closed her tour in "Jane Shore" and returned to this city, a wiser but a poorer woman. Eugenie Ford is the name of a new star announced for next season. At present she is the leading actress in Russ Whytal's "For Fair Virginia" company. Her play has been written by Mr. Whytal, and will be produced in this city next fall. Klaw and Erlanger's next spectacular extravaganza, production is called "The Pearl and the Pumpkin." Its authors the Paul West, John Bratton and W. W. Denslow. Ethel Johnson, recently the prima donna of "The Forbidden Land" company has been engaged for a leading part. Mary Mannering follows Francis Wilson at the Criterion Theatre, in Paul Potter's dramatization of Eleanor McCartney Lane's story "Nancy Stair." Robert Lorraine will be her leading man. A copyright performance of "The Woman in the Case," Blanche Walsh's newest play, was given in London, January 24, at the Comedy Theatre. Wright Lorimer has revived "The Man O' Airlie," a play in which the late Lawrence Barrett acted many times. The efforts of Mrs. Fiske to give New York a permanent company that should represent the best playwriting, the best acting, and the best staging, have met with signal success. "Lea Kleschna," which has been running for ten weeks at the Manhattan Theatre, is still showing overflowing audiences both at the matinee and night performances. It will be continued until the end of the season, some time in May. The season's record at this theatre seems to be one of the most brilliant in the history of the New York stage.

Just now business at the theatres is excellent. Almost without exception the current attractions are drawing large audiences, and the managerial smile is widening daily.

Reports from the road bring the glad tidings that everything is well with the traveling stars and combinations. Frederick Warde and Kathryn Kidder have just finished their second tour this season of the south, where they are said to have turned people away almost nightly. This strong combination is now appearing in Wagenhals and Kemper's spectacular revival of "The Winter's Tale," and winning much praise from the critics for their impersonations of the roles of "Leontes," "Hermione" and "Perdita."

It is almost settled that Helen Grantly, who has been starring in the west for several years will debut here in April at a Broadway theatre in "Her Lord and Master;" the play in which Herbert Kelcey and Effie Shannon once starred. It is said that she will also be seen as Parthenia in "Ingomar" for a few performances. Miss Grantly is described as "a beauty."

For his Berkeley Lyceum Theatre stock company Frank Keenan has engaged Grace Filkins, W. S. Hart, George Richards and a dozen other good people. Dr. Tarr and his System" and "Pagliacol" are the plays announced for the opening night.

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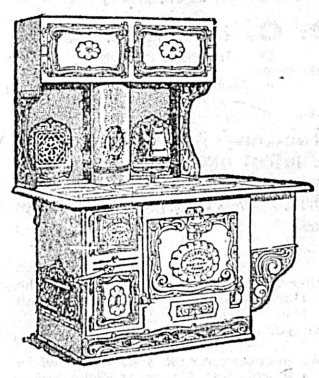

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"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

IN THE MATTER of an Application for duplicate Certificate of Title to all the Estate of John Bennetts in Subdivision 4, Lot 6, Block "B", Finlayson Estate, Victoria City.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to above Lot, issued to Elizabeth Sarah Bennetts on the 20th day of March, 1896, and numbered 1673c.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 16th day of November. 1904

TENDERS.

Tenders will be received by the Victoria Creamery Association for the purchase of all the buttermilk produced at the factory, not required by the association, for one year dating from 1st April. Tenders to be addressed Secretary, Box 227, Victoria, not later than 20th March.

A. G. SNELLING,
mar2 Secretary.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel and on the west by the boundary of the E & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut and carry away timber off the following described tract of land:

Commencing at a post marked B N. W. Post, on south side of Toby Inlet, about 5½ miles east from Snout Point, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less, above stated, 20th ult. f23

H. A. BULL.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next sitting for a transfer of the license held by E. Cave to sell wines and liquors by retail at the Victoria Hotel, Government Street, Victoria, B. C., to ourselves, of this city. Dated this 2nd day of March, A. D. 1905.

W. A. MILLINGTON,
F. L. WOLFENDON.

NOTICE

Tenders for the purchase and removal of the R. N. Canteen buildings and fittings will be received by Lieut. Maitland Kirwan of H. M. S. Shearwater, on or before 10th March, 1905; also for the sale of 1,290 feet of 12x3 lumber.

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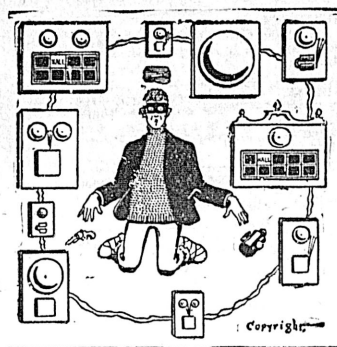

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SUBMARINE MINERS WILL DISBAND

Mine Field at Esquimalt Being Raised—Under Water Work to Be Done by Navy.

The mines laid at Esquimalt by the submarine mining branch of the Royal Engineers are being raised and will be shipped to England by the British ship Penthilisea, now loading stores, ordnance and naval supplies being returned to England as a result of the dismantling of the station. Moreover, the submarine mining corps now affiliated with the Royal Engineers of the Work Point garrison are to be disbanded; this decision has been reached by the war office. The work will hereafter be carried out by the navy instead of the Royal Engineers. Tihs action is due to the report of a special committee which investigated the matter, which states that it considers the work of submarine mining could be better performed by the navy. No reflection was cast on the engineers engaged in the work; on the contrary, the work of the corps has commanded unstinted praise, but the opinion of the committee was that the work belonged to the sea service and this change is to take effect, but not yet.

The decision will have a far-reaching effect. According to recent advices from England, the war office, in consultation with the admiralty, and acting on the instructions of the naval and military defence committee, have decided for the present to hand over the submarine mining defences of defended ports to the navy. These ports are Portsmouth, Plymouth, Milford Haven and Chatham, and in due course the submarine mining companies, R. E., will be withdrawn from these stations and employed elsewhere. The admiralty intend to abolish the system of mine fields, and to substitute a torpedo and submarine defence, aided by the existing searchlights, which will continue to be worked by the Sappers.

A few days ago the army council officially notified the military districts of this change in coast defence, which they state is due to the new requirements of Imperial defence, and the council speak in excellent terms of the satisfactory and efficient manner in which submarine mining duties have been carried out. This is, so far, the present position of matters as it affects the Royal Engineers.

The reduction of the submarine mining branch of the corps of Royal Engineers will involve thirteen regular and ten militia companies. The foreign service units are stationed at Bermuda, Malta, Halifax, N. S., Hongkong and Esquimalt. At home, the regular companies are employed at Gosport, Felixstowe, Isle of Wight, Plymouth, Cork, Gravesend, Pembroke Dock and Sheerness. The militia units comprise the Falmouth, Harwich, Humber Medway, Milford Haven, Needles, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Thames and Western Divisions. The transfer of the mine fields to the admiralty charge will be a general saving, and on the army estimates a reduction of £100,000 per annum will result.

The Royal Engineers will retain the submarine mining service for the present at such stations as Weymouth, Cardiff, Hull, Leith, Liverpool, Glasgow, etc. These are classified as "mercantile ports," and will continue to be defended by sections of the coast battalion, R. E. The question of retaining a submarine mining defence for the Needles in the hand of the Royal Engineers is under the consideration of the military authorities.

Naval officers and men have no love for the Brennan torpedo; it has been nicknamed by them "the Engineers' toy," but it is to be retained, in view of the cost of its installation, as part of the shore defences, and will be run, as now, by sections of the Royal Engineers. This is apparently the only extent to which the corps of Royal Engineers will suffer at present by the new scheme of home defence.

How the change will affect the two steamers, Beryl and Topaz, built here for the submarine mining corps of the Royal Engineers, is not known. Both vessels are at Esquimalt.

The Lost Longpre—No further news has been received of the lost tinsmith Longpre, who disappeared somewhat suddenly a fortnight or so ago. It is the opinion of the police and of members of his family that he has gone to San Francisco.

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THE PLAY HOUSES

To a fairly good house the Pollard Opera Co. at the Victoria theatre yesterday evening presented the second number of the week's repertoire—the Japanese idyllic musical comedy in two acts—"The Geisha."

In this operatic play the Pollards scored a distinct success, winning more applause than was accorded them on the opening evening of their engagement in this city.

The scenic properties were excellent, and the choruses in every way satisfactory. All the old favorites of the company were seen in parts which especially suited them, and the curtain calls were numerous. The solo by Master Fred Pollard, "Star of My Soul," proved one of the most enjoyable numbers of the evening.

The costumes and the stage settings were the finest ever seen in the Victoria theatre in the production of "The Geisha," and a genuine rickshaw was shown—these properties having been brought from Japan—the home of "The Geisha."

The production on the whole was a most satisfactory one, and everyone present was well pleased. This evening the ever popular opera, "Pinafore," will be given.

Creatore as He Is.

A most unusual and no less attractive personality has Creatore who, with his Italian band, will appear in concert at the Victoria theatre tomorrow evening. Creatore's physiognomy is strikingly distinctive. He has the head and general appearance of a poet. This, however, is corrected, in a measure, by his Roman nose, which denotes the good generalship which he exercises over his phalanx of carefully selected musicians. His demeanor is studious, with rather more than a tinge of melancholy, and this dominates his expression at almost all times. No one who has ever seen a photograph or lithograph of Creatore can ever after fail to identify the original in any public place or gathering.

Creatore has a very even disposition, and is the soul of justice in matters of right and wrong, especially where his musicians are concerned. While to them he is always a strict disciplinarian he is, nevertheless, ever alert to protect their rights against all comers. In this regard he shows no favoritism, treating all with equal courtesy and justice. To Creatore one member of his band is as good as another, while to them his word is law. The favorable result of this successful admixture of disposition and fairness becomes apparent the moment Creatore takes his baton in hand, and those who attend his concerts reap the benefit in the form of such music as Creatore and his men can alone produce.

The very large matinee audiences at the Herald Square Theatre in New York is an indication that Blanche Walsh and "The Woman in the Case" have caught the fancy of the feminine playgoers. The absorbing interest taken in the now famous third act by this class of patronage was rather humorously illustrated at a recent matinee. It occured at the juncture were "Margaret Rolfe" who is pretending to drink just as hard as she is trying to make "Claire Forster" do so. The audience was worked up to its usual tension and breathless silence, when at the moment Blanche Walsh exchanges her full glass for the glass which "Willie Pell" has emptied a shrill feminine voice rang through the theatre "She didn't drink! She didn't drink!" The illusion being spoiled, the audience broke into a roar of laughter.

Speaking of Reuben Fax, the "Posty" of "The Bonnie Brier Bush," John W. Kelly, of the Portland Telegram, writes: "Fax is a shining example for those young men who are now at the foot of the theatrical ladder, and with no prospects. For two years he worked for $7 a week in the Palmer stock company, and never had a word to say. There was no 'running around' with Fax. He devoted all his time in and out of the theatre to absorbing knowledge. He has created several roles and made them successes, but in each case he had to fight for his opportunity. His first real chance came in 'Alabama,' as Decatur, the negro servant. Fax being a Canadian, it was supposed that he did not understand the negro character, but his stage manager had confidence in Fax—none other of his associates had—and Fax was a hit. Now Fax is firmly established as a character actor. This outline of Fax and his career is here inserted because of the moral it teaches."

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Provincial Legislature

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intimated that he was one who assisted in saving these lands to the province, and making them possible for provincial administration. As to the point that economy might wisely be effected in relation to the scope of the curriculum of the public schools, he admitted that there might be room for some modification in that regard. He passed a remark about the government having to keep an eye upon some of its supporters with respect to something or other, which was not very clear.

Mr. Ross, apparently mistaking what was said, thought there was something offensive to him, having been told by somebody that somebody else had told the first party that Mr. Wells had in the course of his speech made an observation in which he (Mr. Ross) was concerned. He wanted to know what it was.

Mr. Wells said that his observation, whatever it was, had no bearing offensive or otherwise upon the member for Fernie, but being apparently nettled by Mr. Ross' challenge, added that if the cap fitted that hon. gentleman he could wear it.

What sort of a cap it was did not seem very clear, nor was there apparently any cap in sight whatever. But as M.'s P. P. and lawyers will sometimes quarrel Mr. Ross affirmed that, if this was what was meant, he never had any interest in lands in the Flathead country and never expected to have. He did not think anything of this kind was due from Mr. Wells, who was dismissed from one of the rottenest governments the province ever had.

At this stage both Mr. Wells and Mr. Ross discovered that they had been rowing about nothing, but mutually misunderstanding. Apologies were extended from both sides for hasty words uttered, and all was serenity again in the chamber. In fact there was the greatest good humor, for Mr. McInnes, with inimitable facetiousness, arose and added his accentance of Mr. Ross' apology, as a member of the government, whose qualities had been so unfavorably rated.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite pointed out that Mr. Wells' ideas about the utilization of East Kootenay lands had apparently rinened in the shades of opposition. They werd never heard of when he was a member of the government. The financial conditions which necessitated the present bill were not due to the government. The debt of $11,000,000 existed when they acceded to office, and they were under necessity of providing over $600,000 yearly for interest and sinking fund alone. Even under the pressure upon them the government did not assume any high handed demeanor. They approached the House with modesty, and asked that the bill be considered in a non-partizan spirit. But the opposition, with an insatiable greed for office, had refused unbiassed discussion, and had made it a party fight. He claimed that a high school education was necessary to the proper equipment of the children of the province, and took issue on this point with Liberal speakers, who apparently believed in the curtailment of this branch of the system. He heartily approved the principle of the bill. As to the objection that trustees would not act under the bill, he said that forced meetings had been held to hatch such objections, but without success. He read a letter from a prominent trustee in his district heartily approving of this section of the bill and of the measure as a whole. Examining the criticisms of Mr. Oliver that the government had been grossly extravagant in connection with the construction of a school in his district, he reduced this to an objection against the payment of union wages to the carpenter and painter employed.

Mr. Oliver denied this, saying that he objected because the carpenter was imported and favored for political reasons, and that local men were overlooked.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said that such a fault even if true would scarcely support and made no corresponding return. He charged that the Liberal government at Ottawa was responsible for the financial conditions in this province. They had exploited the province of $14,000,000 and made no corresponding returne. He was proceeding to attribute an avowal to opposition members in favor of an increase in the poll tax, when

Mr. J. A. Macdonald objected that no such idea had been expressed by anybody on his side of the House except the member for Slocan.

Mr. Davidson entered a soft protest that he was not responsible for the enunciation of such an idea.

Mr. Macdonald said it came then to the fact that such an enunciation had not come from anybody on that side.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite commented upon remarks of opposition members, suggesting a disposition to curtail the educational system, and provoked the manifestation of a very uncomfortable feeling in the opposition ranks. He commented upon expressions of pride in Sir Wilfrid Laurier, which fell from Mr. Wells, and asked for an explanation of his policy with referenced to schools, to which no reply was offered. The policy of the Liberals in connection with this measure was simply to confuse the issue and draw a herring across the trail. He twitted Mr. Tanner with an ill flavored use of a scriptural quotation in closing his fulminations against the bill.

Mr. Tanner asked the Speaker if a scriptural quotation was not in order if reverently used.

The Speaker gave a soothing assurance that it might be so.

Mr. Tanner thought that a suggestion that he had blasphemed should be withdrawn.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite was happy to remove any occasion for imitation in this connection and responded gracefully to the suggestion.

Dr. King argued that a school system was not necessarily good for this province because it succeeded in New Brunswick. He denied the allegation that agitation against the bill was being worked up for political purposes. The government would realize this when it went to the country.

The motion for the second reading of the bill was then put and carried on the following vote:

For: Davidson, Hawthornthwaite, Williams, Tatlow, McBride, Wilson, Cotton, Ellison, Clifford, Bowser, Fraser, Ross, A. McDonald, Green, Fulton, Garden, Taylor, Wright, Young, Gifford, Macgowan, Shatford, Grant—23.

Against: McInnes, Drury, King, McNiven, Brown, Murphy, Jones, Evans, Tanner, Oliver, J. A. Macdonald, Henderson, Munro, Paterson, Wells, Hall, Cameron—17.

The Songhees' Reserve.

The Premier continued the debate on the bill respecting the Songhees Indian reserve. He pointed out that this question had from time to time occupied attention in Victoria and was now again to the fore. Attempt was made to shoulder responsibility upon the local government. From examination of all the aspects of the question, legal and otherwise, it was clear that the Indians must retain possession of the reserve until they were made party to an arrangement satisfactory to them. The Indians had been taught to believe that it would be foolish for them to yield their tenure without a considerable indemnity and generous terms. They could not be removed by force. The first essential was to get the Indians to acquiesce in an agreement, and this might perhaps be best accomplished if the two governments and the Indians were left to settle the matter between themselves, without interference from outside parties, and he offered this suggestion in a friendly spirit toward the city council and other public bodies of Victoria. The alarm expressed by the member for Delta about the power the government would have, under the bill to deal with the reserve, was needless. If the bill became law no disposition would be made of the lands irrespective of the interests of Victoria in the matter. The government was not prepared to accept any amendment to the bill. He thought the government should command the confidence of the House that it would act in a decent and fair manner. He pointed out that the views of Mr. C. H. Lugrin, one of those who had made special study of the Songhees reserve question, were favorable to the idea that a settlement of the question would be facilitated by having the government vested with power to act in the matter. He also showed that an inaccurate impression had been conveyed that the move looking toward a settlement of the question should be credited to the Ottawa government, remarking that without the steps taken by the provincial government nothing would have been done.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald argued that the proposed bill could only be of practical effect after the Indians had been got off the reserve. Why then should the government seek power to dispose of the lands before this part of the arrangement was accomplished? He did not see why the legislature should relinquish its control in the matter to the government before it was known what sort of an administration of the reserve might be expected, or whether the interests of Victoria and the province generally were to be properly conserved. Any arrangement made by the government with respect to Victoria would naturally be made with the city council. As it was a matter in which the people were concerned in a more popular sense, he thought it should remain with the legislature. He moved in amendment in effect that in the opinion of the House the government should immediately secure a new reserve for the Indians now on the Songhees reserve and arrange with the Dominion government for their settlement thereon.

And that the question of the disposition of the land now forming the reserve be not now considered, but that the same be dealt with by this House at the session of the same following the removal of the Indians.

It being 6 o'clock the House rose.

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